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CAMPUS TRADITIONS...This photo of the Hardway Building, the oldest building on campus, shows that a picture really is worth 2000 words.

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BYRD HOUSE...
The Robert C. Byrd Aerospace Center in Harrison County was dedicated in the fall of 1999. Senator Byrd was the guest speaker at the dedication ceremony.

A Century to Remember

Millennium Memories...

The year 2000. It finally arrived with much fanfare albeit with nary a glimpse of the gloom and doom some predicted. The Y2K bug was thoroughly squashed, and there was no sign of any apocalypse. The century turned, and all that remained were

SIGNS OF THE TIMES...
Students celebrate on Main Street in the annual FSC Homecoming parade by riding on floats such as this one depicting the styles of different decades.

BACK ON THE FIELD...
Members of the undefeated 1959 Falcon football team, players Moses Guin, Bob Newbrough, Coach Deacon Duvall and player Jim Shaner, are honored at halftime of the Homecoming game.

They Go By in a Flash

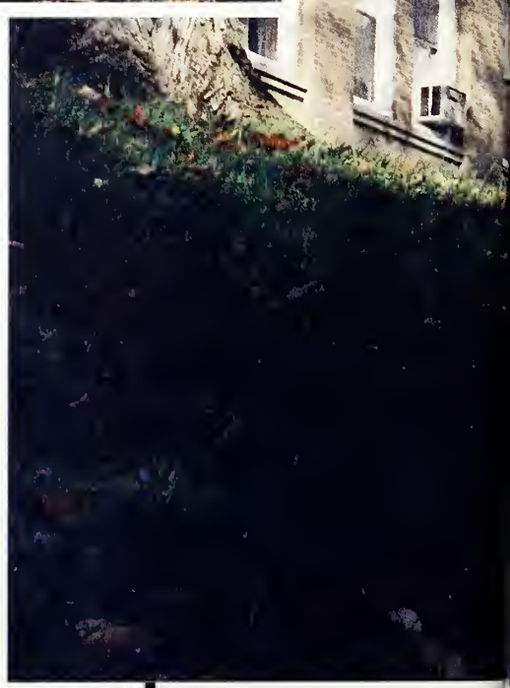
sheer memories as we skyrocketed into a new millennium. Fortunately, some of those memories were captured on film. A picture holds the power to tell an entire story.

A Picture is Worth 2000 Words.

FALL FOLIAGE...
The beauty of a fall afternoon surrounds two students as they take a break on the front steps of Morrow Hall.

A NEW HANGOUT...
Two FSC students make use of the new benches outside of Jaynes Hall. Landscaping and construction was finished in November 1999.

GREEK TRIO...
Pam Arnett poses with some of her Tri Sigma sisters to show off their Greek spirit during Homecoming 1999.



GRIDIRON GREATNESS...
A Falcon defender watches a Glenville receiver complete a play during FSC's 49-19 win over the Pioneers.

SHOWING THE PRIDE...
Cathy Walter and Steve Hathaway celebrate the spirit of Homecoming with the coveted FSC spirit stick.

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Student Life

Fairmont 2000

SO WHERE ARE THE jetpacks, the flying cars, the hoverboards and metallic gray spacesuits everyone thought would be gracing the FSC campus by now? We're in the future aren't we? Well, the excitement of the new century has come and gone, and although one might not be able to tell at first glance that we're in the future, the year 2000 marks the beginning of a century of new experiences for Fairmont students.

Slices of student life pie include Homecoming festivities, Rush week, holiday celebrations and Quad activities. Whether it be at the Nickel, computer labs or the newly remodeled benches outside of Jaynes Hall, just hanging out is also always an essential component for living.

Life as a student bears many challenges but reaps many rewards. Student life is a very personal concept. In the hustle and bustle that is the new millennium, students of FSC must not forget to slow down and realize this is more than likely the time of their life.

So, it looks like it will still be a few more years until airborne automobiles alleviate the FSC parking problem and jetpacks are used to fly from class to class. But student life will always be immortalized in a photographic medium, digitally and beyond. A picture is worth 2000 words.

Homecoming Week

A Century of Adventure

EVERY OCTOBER, STUDENT Government collaborates to give the campus and students a week to remember. FSC's Student Government added a new twist to the week-long activities of Homecoming with this year's theme, "A Century of Adventure." Students were treated to a carnival-type scene on the Education Quad and various organizations throughout the campus had booths and activities set up. Every candidate running for Homecoming king and queen was represented with a booth.

Not only does Fairmont State put its heart into Homecoming, there is community involvement as well. Local schools and businesses create banners and other contributions to make this special week a success. The 1999-2000 year also marks the debut of voting for Homecoming King.

Other activities during Homecoming week included comedian D.C. Curry performing on Monday night, a thuse held Wednesday at Rosier Field and a parade through downtown Fairmont followed by the opening of the play "Picnic" on Thursday. The voting for Homecoming King and Queen on the Quad and a dance at Westchester Village were held on Friday.

The big football game concluded the week on Saturday with the FSC Fighting Falcons facing the Glenville State Pioneers. Catherine Banaszak and Morris Morrison were then crowned Homecoming queen and king during halftime.

Pie in the Eye

PIE throwing was one of the many activities at the first annual FSC Homecoming Festival.

School Spirit

SIGMA Tau Gamma and Delta Zeta members show their FSC spirit as they parade down Adams Street on their Homecoming float .

Slam Dunk

A dunking booth was one of the popular organization-sponsored activities at the Homecoming Festival.

Winning Float

TRI Sigma and TKE show off their winning Homecoming float, incorporating a *Star Wars* theme to depict "A Century of Adventure."

Curry Comedy

COMEDIAN D.C. Curry takes a seat during his routine in the ballroom of the Turley Center. A visiting comedian is a Homecoming week tradition at FSC.

Homecoming Queen

Catherine Banaszak
Phi Sigma Phi

Homecoming King

Morris Morrison
Chi Alpha

Homecoming Court

Maid of Honor
Emily Bell
Tri Sigma, TKE

Runner Up
Derek Staron
DZ, Sigma Tau Gamma

Courtney Barnes
Chi Alpha

Not Pictured

Mark Petrosky
Residence Halls

Rhett Beckman
Kappa Delta Pi

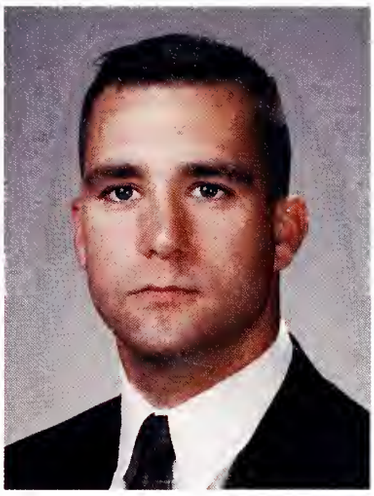
Tara Brookover
Kappa Delta Pi

Lora Ann Brown
DZ, Sigma Tau Gamma

Megan Christopher
Sigma Pi

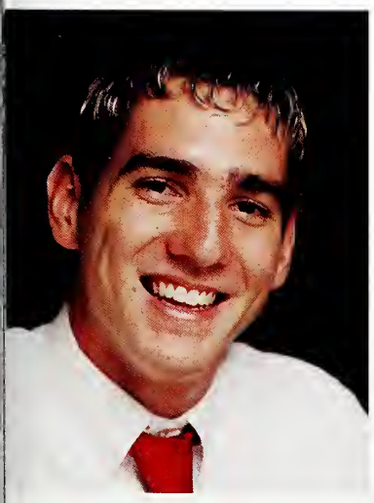
Eddi Cool
Phi Sigma Phi

Keith Cox
Sigma Pi

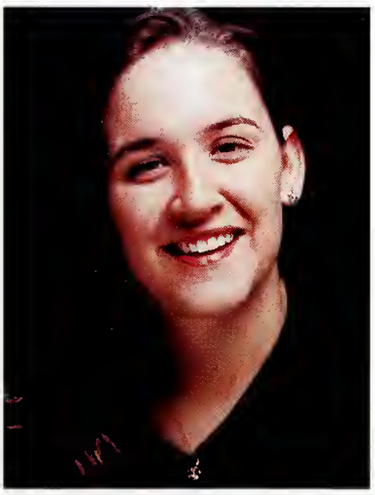


Doug Harsh
Tri Sigma, TKE

Dee Dee Holbert
Alpha Sigma Tau

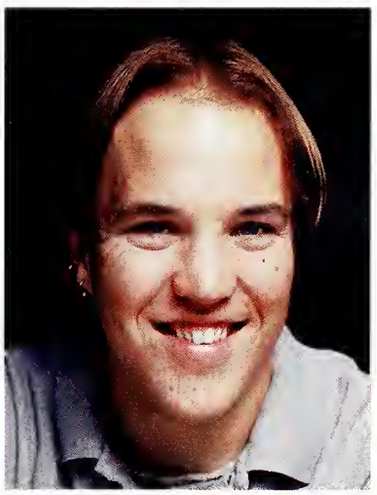


Jimmy Jacquez
Alpha Sigma Tau



Jessica Stemple
DXO, TBI

Lynn Vargo
Residence Halls



Andy Waeger
DXO, TBI

Falcon Leader

HEAD football coach Doug Sams watches from the sidelines as FSC downs Glenville, 49-19, in the Homecoming game.

Go Team, Go!

FSC'S award-winning cheerleading squad keeps the crowd enthused with cheers from the track in front of the bleachers.

Just One More Inch

FALCON wide receiver Jason Trent stretches for a few more inches to get the first down after he is grounded by a Glenville tackle. FSC defeated the Pioneers 49-19.

Brass on Parade

TRUMPET players, in full "Blues Brothers" regalia, perform with the marching band for the halftime presentation of the Homecoming queen and king candidates.

Going for the Play

JOSH Nay, number 3, gets ready to make a tackle as Jed Reed, number 37, gets up from the field. The Falcons defeated the Glenville Pioneers 49-19.

Homecoming Saturday

Football Festivities

"I always look forward to coming back to FSC at Homecoming... It's a tradition for me."

FSC alumnus

CAPPING OFF HOMECOMING Week 1999, "A Century of Adventure," was a 49-19 Falcon romp over one of its biggest rivals, the Glenville State Pioneers, on Saturday, October 9. While the Falcons came out flat in the first half, with only a one-point lead at halftime, they rebounded in the second half, scoring 29 unanswered points over the Pioneers.

Todd Anderson, Jason Trent and Jermaine Johnson, in keeping with the "century" Homecoming theme, all topped the 100-yard receiving mark, and standout Robert Davidson had 23 carries for 122 yards. Quarterback Bryan Harman was named player of the nation in Division II college football for his efforts.

The halftime celebration included a band show and the presentation of Homecoming queen and king candidates. Student Government president Rob Kimble announced the results of the campus voting, and FSC President Janet Dudley-Eshbach crowned Queen Catherine Banaszak and King Morris Morrison.

While a drizzling rain dampened the activities and forced halftime participants to hoist umbrellas against the elements, the spirit of "A Century of Adventure" nonetheless prevailed.

B.Y.O.B.

THE Bring Your Own Banana event was one of the most popular events held during Alcohol and Sexual Awareness Week.

Alcohol/Sexual Awareness Week

Thinking about Drinking

AUTUMN ON CAMPUS brings to mind many things like Homecoming, football and midterms. Because it was such a busy season, Student Government combined two of the traditional fall events it sponsors. Alcohol and Substance Abuse Awareness Week was joined with Sexuality Awareness Week.

Events included guest speaker Jennifer Powell, prevention and education specialist from Morgantown's Caritas House, speaking in the Turley Center ballroom on HIV/AIDS in an event sponsored by the Women's Panhellenic. "The FSC Story" was also presented by Pruntytown inmates and sponsored by Delta Zeta. Sponsored by Alpha Sigma Tau,"Bring Your Own Banana-BYOB" saw students turn bananas into banana splits. A presentation on sexually transmitted diseases entitled "What You Don't See Can Hurt You" was sponsored by Tau Beta Iota. Student Government sponsored the annual Mix-Off in which campus organizations held a non-alcoholic drink competition that featured coverage by Lacy Neff of WVAQ radio and cash prizes. Tau Kappa Epsilon sponsored John Simone of Valley Health Care, who spoke on "The New Choices of Drugs in the New Millennium." Betty DeGeneres, mother of actress/comedienne Ellen DeGeneres, addressed FSC in the ballroom.

The week's events were designed to help students recognize the dangers of alcohol and substance abuse and helped students come to terms with their sexuality and its effects. So while a picture may be worth 2000 words, there were many words of support for the FSC community during Alcohol and Sexual Awareness Week.

New Choices, New Millenium

JOHN Simone of Valley Health Care spoke at FSC on "New Choices of Drugs in the New Millennium." His visit was sponsored by the TKE fraternity.

Just Say No

MIDDLE: Pruntytown inmates discuss the possible detrimental effects of substance abuse during Alcohol and Sexual Awareness Week.

Mixing it Up

DELTA Zeta sorority members concoct a non-alcoholic drink for the Mix Off competition in the Turley Center ballroom.

Greek Break

SIGMA Sigma Sigma and Tau Kappa Epsilon members take a break from preparing for the Homecoming parade.

Rush Week

Part of Tradition

"JOIN US ON A JOURNEY of Old Traditions and New Beginnings" was the theme of Fall Rush 1999. Women's Panhellenic, the governing body over all Fairmont State College sororities, sponsored Rush Week. The participants in the traditional week were national sororities Alpha Sigma Tau and Delta Zeta and local sorority Delta Xi Omicron.

The fraternity equivalent, smokers, were held as well, for students who were interested in pledging membership in one of those organizations.

Sorority and fraternity members are active in many other areas of Fairmont State campus life, including Student Government, New Student Orientation, athletics, campus ministries and academic honoraries.

Greek organizations also sponsor their own social events as well as individual events during Homecoming and Alcohol and Sexual Awareness weeks in addition to participating in community service projects such as the canned food drive and Caring Across the Community.

> "Rush Week is a great opportunity to meet all different types of people and experience Greek life."
>
> Janet Lynn Frohnapfel

Banner Support

LEFT: Homecoming queen candidate Jessica Stemple poses by her supporting organizations' banner.

Homecoming Ride

THE executive officers of Phi Sigma Phi take a ride in the Homecoming parade.

Quick Pose

HOMECOMING queen candidate Emily Bell and friends pose for a quick photo before riding in the 1999 Homecoming parade.

Mix Off

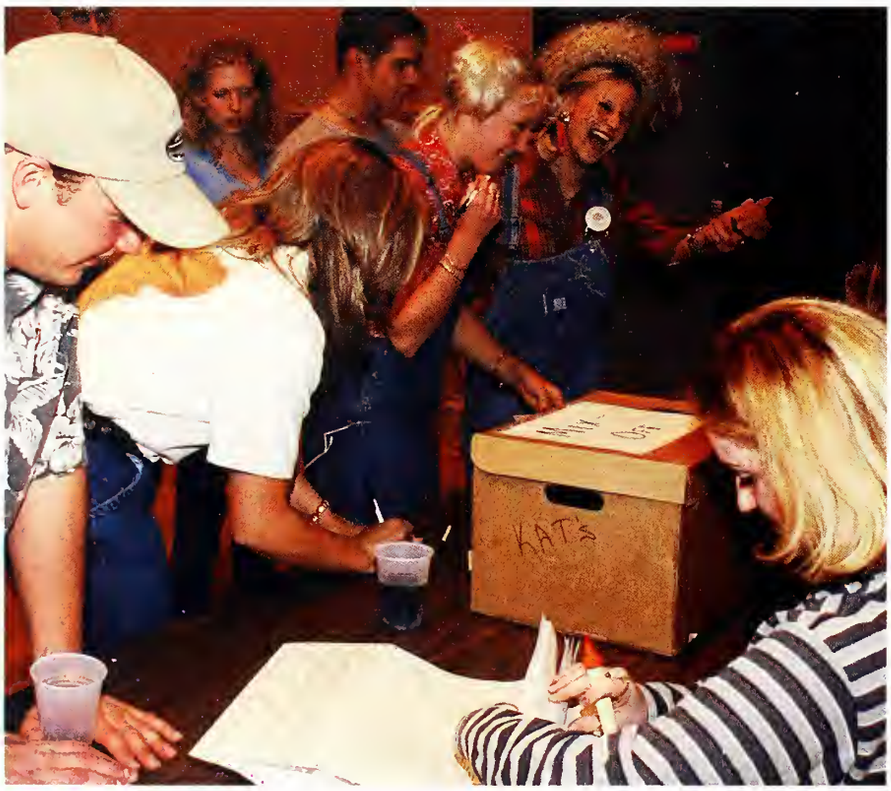
TAU Kappa Epsilon member Eric Turchin and a Tri-Sigma member bring a taste of the islands to the Mix Off during Alcohol and Sexual Awareness Week.

Student Government

1999-2000 Student Government members gather for a group photo with their advisor, Michael Belmear (center front).

Service Projects

STUDENT Government treasurer Andy Waeger participates in the Caring Across the Community service project.

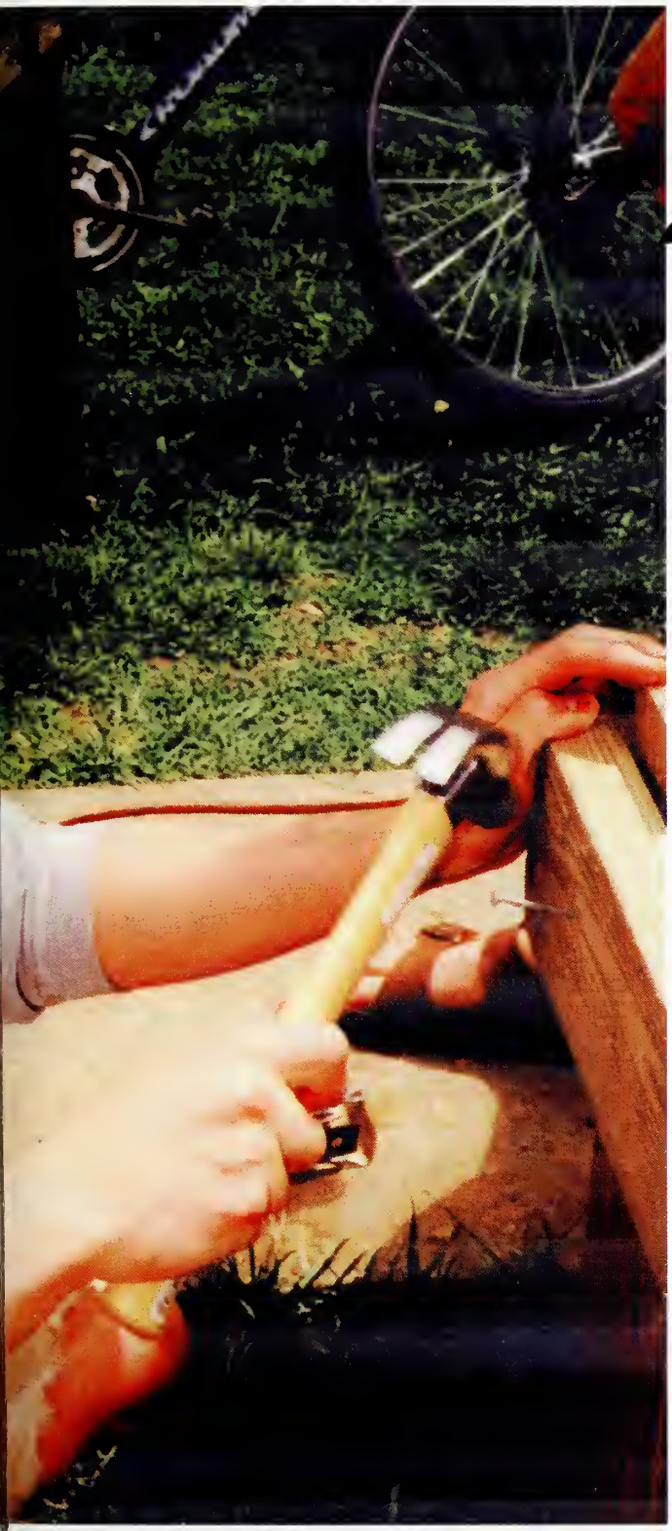


Mix Off

FRESHMAN senator Wendy Reel registers participants in the Student Government-sponsored Mix Off during Alcohol and Substance Abuse Awareness Week in October 1999.

Halloween Bash

STUDENT Government began a new tradition on campus, the Halloween Bash, which featured costume and pumpkin-carving contests and a live DJ. Participants included SG VP Francesca Bonasso, center.



Student Government

Power to the People

COLLEGES ARE SIMILAR to countries that use a government to make decisions for the benefit of their nation. But colleges don't have politicians who blabber about what they are going to do for their country. Instead, they have students who work hard to make their school stand out. This year's FSC Student Government worked toward that same achievement.

The 1999-2000 Student Government president, Rob Kimble, is a Buckhannon native and had a few words to say about being elected: "It was an honor to be elected. I never had any idea that I was going to do this, but I did, and I'll take on the hard work and dedication to make this campus superior." President Kimble is not going to be alone in his dedication to FSC; he has an incredible staff that includes vice-president Francesca Bonasso, secretary Jessica Stemple and treasurer Andy Waeger.

One of the group's biggest activities is Homecoming Week. "Homecoming 1999 is the first year we will have voting for a king as well as a queen," explained Kimble. Making decisions and planning events to keep this campus active is not easy, and Student Government makes sure Fairmont State College operates like a student-friendly version of a happy country.

Information Booth

THE information desk in the bottom lobby of the Turley Center was often staffed by Student Government members to raise awareness about issues on campus. Fundraisers and organization mailboxes were also part of the info desk.

Student Publications

Spread the Word

Digital Design

MOUND editor Brian Lauffer and graphics designer Chris Moyer work on yearbook deadlines at the Macintosh G3 computers in the Student Publications lab.

THERE'S A DOOR ON THE third floor of Jaynes Hall that remains a mystery to most of the campus. The sign on that door reads "Student Publications Journalism Lab: This is NOT an open lab." Regardless of the warning, students go through that door for journalism classes or information, and then there are a select few who rarely leave.

On any given day, there are papers stacked on tables, a board with assignments written in four colors, newspapers to be delivered and pictures that appear disorganized except to the person organizing them. There are little things of comfort around the room for the students who exist there: a radio tuned to a local station, dishes of candy, crackers, paperware and condiments. The lab's computers are personalized to the students who use them most.

There are days when these students barely leave the comfort of the lab, except to make a "Nickel-run." Those days are spent frantically trying to meet a deadline for their publication, but they still take time to share meals with friends in the midst of the mess.

This is the glory of Student Publications, a handful of faithfully committed students representing the campus through *The Columns*, *Mound* and *Whetstone*. The weekly, monthly and yearly deadlines that keep these dedicated students in the journalism lab for hours producing quality publications is rarely found on big campuses.

Reporting Rules

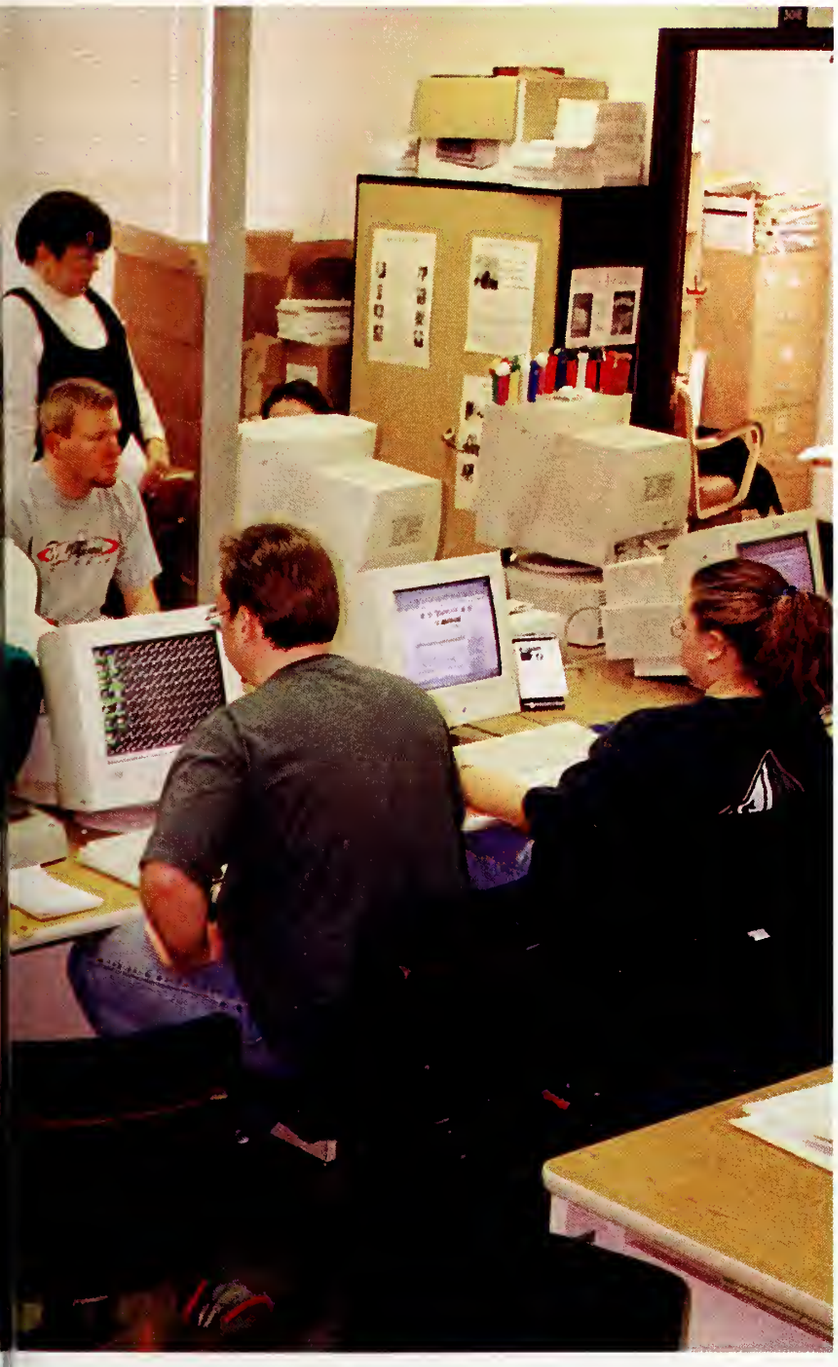
STUDENT Publications advisor Beth Slusser discusses a story with staff members, from left, Chuck Fry, Drew Altizer, Brian Lauffer, James Phillips and Erin Walton.

Hard at Work

COLUMNS **editor and senior English major Misty Poe works on an issue of the student newspaper that was produced eleven times each semester.**

The Columns

COLUMNS **staff writers Erin Walton and Alexis Budny relax during a newspaper staff meeting. Staff meetings for the newspaper were held on Tuesdays in the Student Publications lab.**



That's Entertainment

ENTERTAINMENT editor Chris Prezioso works on a page for a Thursday night ***Columns*** **deadline in the Jaynes Hall lab.**

Pool Sharks

PROBABLY the oldest campus hangout is the Nickel, where students can be found seeking relief from the daily stress of classes through a game of pool.

Computer Lab

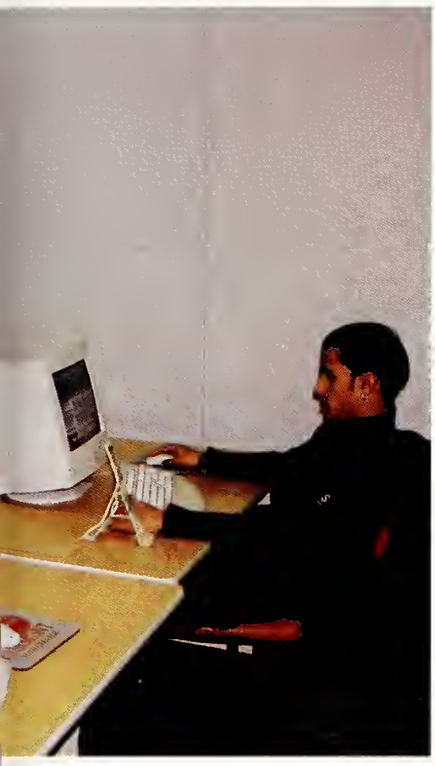
THE computer labs across campus, including this one in Colebank Hall, are popular places for students to chat, check email, or just surf the web between classes.

Cafe Chat

THE Dining Hall is more than just a place to eat, but a place for students to gather with friends and classmates to share a meal and the details of their day.

Study Break

THE lobbies on the first and second floors of the Education Building provide built-in stone benches, where students can do that last-minute homework before class.



Campus Hangouts

Taking A Break

"I like the Nickel. It's a cool place to hang out in between classes."

Bill Biro

IT'S 9:30 ON A TUESDAY morning and you just got out of English class in Jaynes Hall. Your next class doesn't begin until 11:00 in Hunt-Haught Hall, leaving you with over an hour of time to kill. What do you do? If you're like the majority of FSC students, you find someplace on campus to hang out until it's time for class. School days find many FSC students gathering all over campus, inside and out, waiting for classes, rides, or friends to meet them.

One of the most populated campus hangouts is the student union, The Nickel. Students gather here in the dining area, the game room, the Blue Room, the Fireside Room, or in the top floor lobby, where seating has been provided for just that reason.

Another likely place to find students killing time is the Education Building foyer, where stone benches provide a place to set those heavy backpacks. Dorm lobbies are popular hangouts as well, and the library always has a few students hanging around, even studying.

For the past two years, newly-installed computer labs in buildings across campus let students hang out, check email or play a few hands of solitaire. Sometimes, the hallways outside of classrooms are the handiest place for students to sit, unload a bookbag and wait for the next phase of their education to begin.

A Room With a View

THE top floor lobby of the Turley Center provides padded seats and a scenic view of Locust Avenue, as well as another place to "hang out" on campus.

The Quad

Activities/Special Events

WHEN THE NEWEST addition to the main campus, the Education Building, was completed in 1992, everyone realized the benefits a new building would have for students. But few realized what an impact the creation of a campus "quad" would have. Since the transformation of the space in front of the Education Building from parking lot to grassy, landscaped yard, the FSC community has found many uses for the space now formally know as the Education Quad.

The poster sale on the quad has become a tradition every semester, and this year the New Student Orientation lunch with faculty was held under tents on the quad, with brown bag lunches furnished by the Dining Hall.

Sunny days found area bands setting up on the front steps of the Education Building to play during the lunch hour on Tuesdays. Student Government and Homecoming elections were held on the Quad unless the elements forced them indoors to the lobby, and the first annual Homecoming festival was held on the quad.

Many other gatherings and performances were held on the outdoor "stage" the quad has become, including Alcohol Awareness Week's BYOB, a gospel band sponsored by Chi Alpha, and a special lunchtime performance of the Sign Language Club members signing the lyrics of popular songs. A new phrase has found its way into the lexicon of FSC speech: "See you on the quad."

"The quad is a great place for student events. I like the poster sale every semester."

Chris Prezioso

Homecoming Festival

THE first annual Homecoming Festival was held on the quad, with a good turnout of students attending the booths and activities.

The Sounds of Music

MANY music groups found the quad a good place to reach a large number of students. This gospel group performed during the lunch hour in the fall.

Tent City

STUDENTS and faculty members gathered on the quad the Monday before classes began in the fall for an informal bag lunch provided by the Dining Hall.

The Quad

THE grassy landscaped area in front of the Education Building is now commonly known to the campus community as "the quad."

Drumming the Gospel

OPPOSITE PAGE: The drummer at the gospel sing on the quad during the fall 1999 semester.

Guest Speakers

Speaking Their Minds

AT FSC, EDUCATION is not limited to the campus or even to what we read in our textbooks. To be able to live and compete in an increasingly diverse society, students must first begin to examine and understand what is going on in the world. Through the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs and Student Government, FSC students have been able to hear guest speakers who brought the world to our campus by bringing their life experiences to share with us.

Aimee Mullins, born without fibula bones in her shins, came to campus in August to share her experiences as a record-breaking Paralympic athlete. Despite her disability, Mullins graduated from Georgetown University with degrees in history and diplomacy, and had a successful career in modeling as well as many athletic triumphs.

Oscar-nominated actor and activist Edward James Olmos came to the Turley Center Ballroom in September to speak about cultural diversity. Olmos, who appeared in such films as *Stand and Deliver*, *Scarface* and *Selena*, has tried to establish cultural awareness in America. Students who heard Olmos speak discovered a new outlook on diversity.

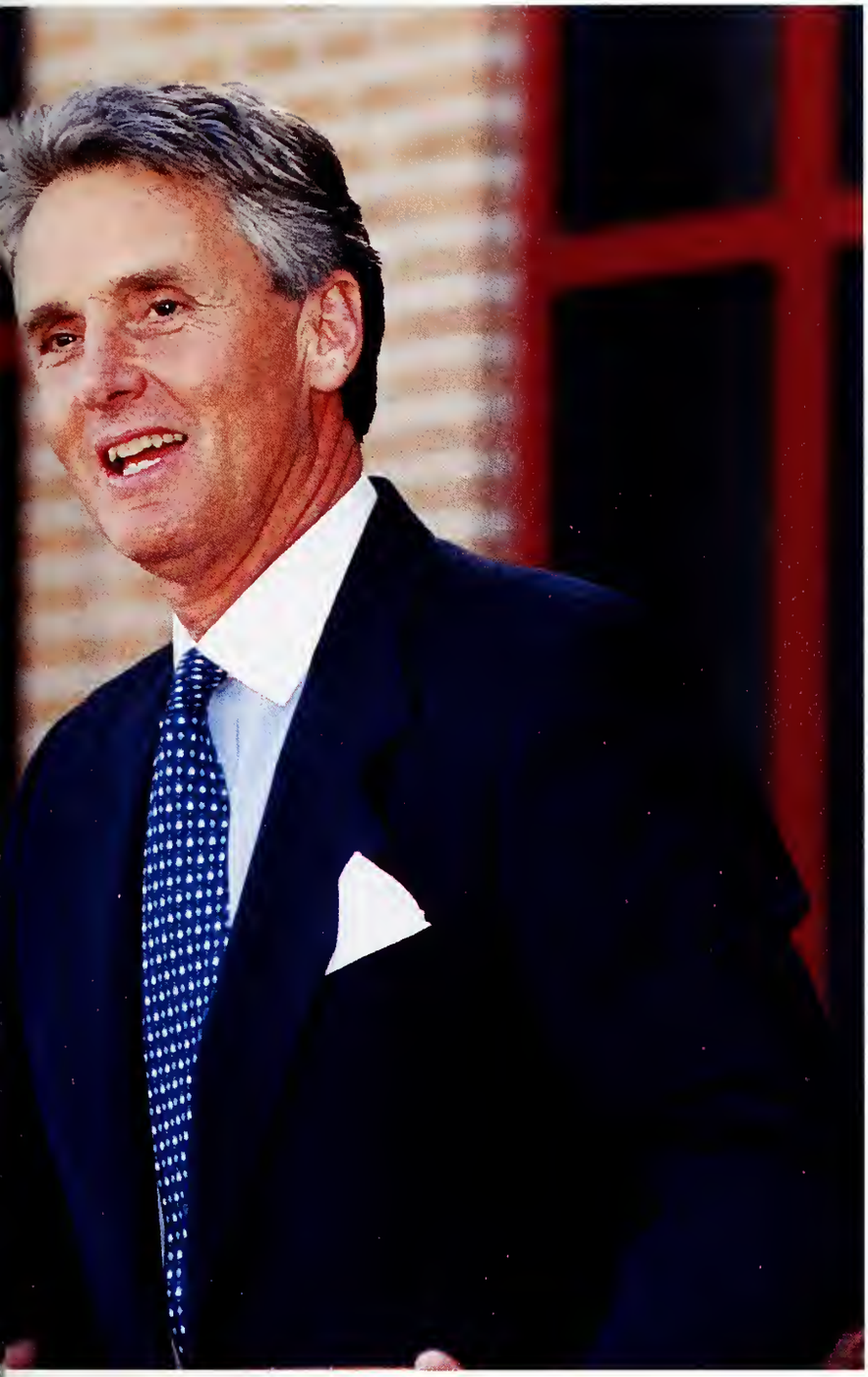
Kicking off the October Homecoming week activities, comedian D.C. Curry came to campus with a comedy routine that not only entertained many students in Colebank Hall, but also provided a humorous commentary about the ignorance of racism.

Betty DeGeneres, activist mother of gay actress Ellen Degeneres, spoke with students in October as part of Lesbian and Gay History Month. She spoke about discrimination and the acceptance of gay family members.

Former Virginia governor Douglas Wilder spoke at the Martin Luther King celebration in January 2000. Wilder, the first African-American governor in the US, spoke on affirmative action, diversity and the educational concerns of students.

Warming Up

A comedian warms up the crowd before featured comedian DC Curry's performance in the Colebank auditorium as part of the Homecoming 1999 festivities.



Clarksburg Address

FORMER WV governor Gaston Caperton addresses the crowd at the dedication ceremony for the FSC Caperton Center in Clarksburg.

Funny Guy

WITH a little help from FSC students from the audience, a comedian entertains before DC Curry's performance for Homecoming 1999.

Making a Point

ACTOR Edward James Olmos was a featured speaker in September 1999. Olmos' visit to FSC was sponsored by the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs.

Ellen's Mom

ACTIVIST Betty DeGeneres, mother of actress Ellen DeGeneres, speaks with three FSC students as part of Sexuality Awareness Week in October 1999.

Oh Christmas Tree

THE tree lighting was held in the Turley Center. SG president Rob Kimble, right, presided, and Rev. Richard Bowyer, second from right, blessed the tree.

Live from New York

ONE participant attended the Halloween Bash as Molly Shannon's character from Saturday Night Live, Mary Katherine Gallagher.

Halloween Bash

COSTUMED attendees at the first Halloween Bash gather for a group photo. Prizes were awarded for the scariest and most original costumes.

Those Who Serve

FSC honored veterans with a special recognition ceremony in front of the Hardway Building after the Fairmont Veteran's Day parade in November 1999.

Holidays on Campus

Decking the Halls

FROM THE COSTUMED Halloween Bash to the Veteran's Day ceremony, Thanksgiving break, the Christmas Tree lighting, Kwanzaa festivities, Valentine love notes in The Columns and time off at Easter, the FSC campus knows how to celebrate a holiday.

One of the newest holiday traditions on campus this year was the Halloween Bash, an event sponsored by Student Government. Held two days before Halloween in the Turley Center Ballroom, the party featured a live DJ, karaoke, refreshments, an organization pumpkin-carving contest, and prizes for the best and scariest costumes.

FSC also honored veterans with a special ceremony outside Hardway Hall immediately following the Fairmont Veteran's Day parade.

Perhaps one of the oldest holiday celebrations on campus, the Christmas tree lighting moved indoors this year to the Turley Center Fireside Room. The move was attributed to past vandalism of the outdoor tree and decorations, which are made by campus organizations and hung on the tree at the lighting ceremony. This year, Reverend Richard Bowyer, director of the Wesley Foundation, was on hand to bless the tree, and Student Government president Rob Kimble led those present in caroling.

Hanging the Wreath

MANY organizations created ornaments to hang on the FSC Christmas tree, and after the ornaments were judged, cash prizes were awarded to the winners.

Fair Game

WVU Graduate Admissions had a representative at the 1999 FSC Graduate School Fair. WVU is a popular destination for FSC graduates.

Friendly Advice

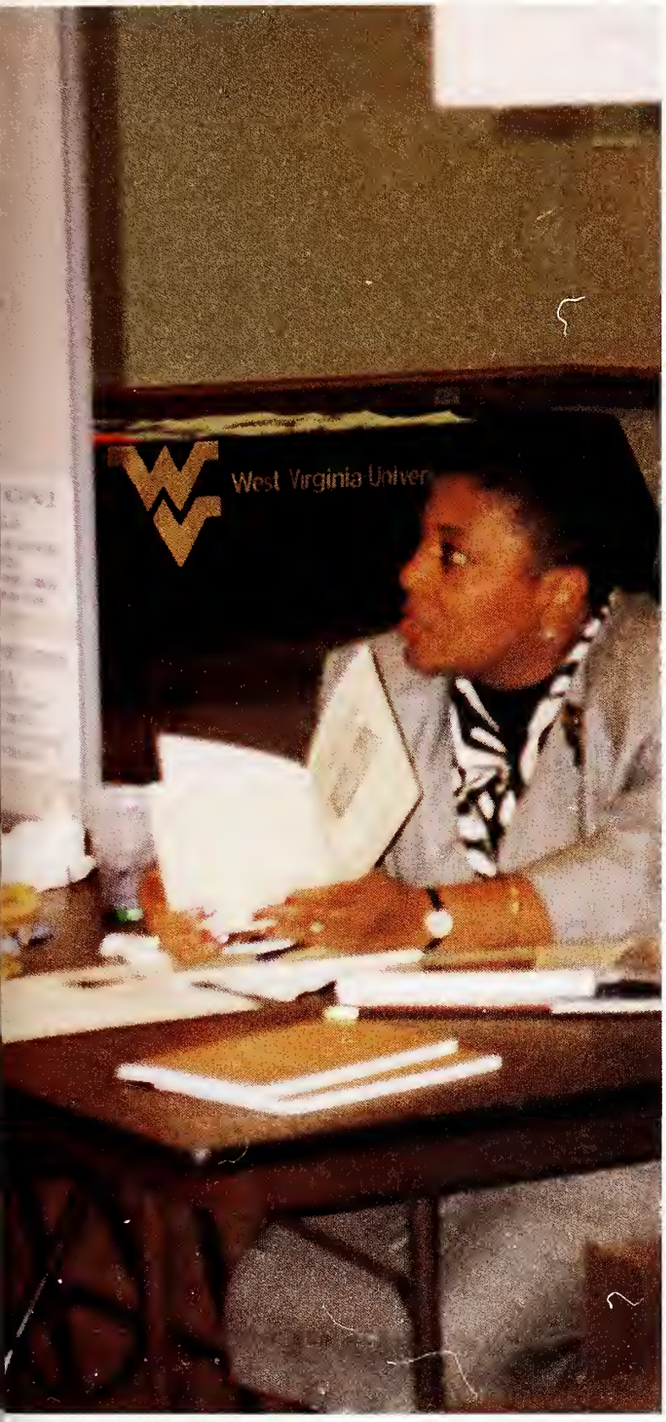
A representative from the University of Pennsylvania talks to an FSC student about graduate school options.

Graduate Options

A representative from Marshall University discusses information about graduate school options for the Huntington school.

Student Inquiry

FSC students inquire about graduate school information at the WVU medical technology program booth.



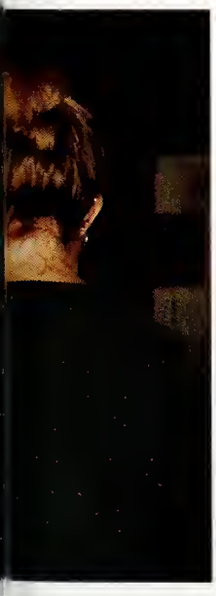
Graduate School Fair

Advanced by Degrees

ONE QUESTION THAT graduating college seniors constantly ask themselves is "What now?" The Graduate School Fair at FSC may very well have answered that question for some seniors. The fair is designed to host schools that offer higher degrees to visit the college and share information about their programs with interested students.

Some of the schools in attendance at this year's fair were West Virginia University, Marshall University and Clarion University of Pennsylvania. Sally Frye, Director of Career Services, was pleased with the turnout and commented, "This was a perfect opportunity for students to look and compare information and literature about some of the schools that attended." According to Frye, some of the fields that students had interest in getting their master's degrees in were business and social sciences.

Helpful information about graduate schools can easily be obtained by contacting the school or stopping by the Career Services office in the Hardway Building and scheduling an appointment with Sally Frye.



Sign of the Times

THE FSC Graduate School Fair was held in the Turley Center Ballroom in October 1999, and featured several graduate schools from the tri-state area.

“I'm so glad the students here finally have a facility worthy of them and of FSC.”

Blair Montgomery

A Dream Fulfilled

THE beauty of the Caperton Center depicts a dream come true for the FSC community. Eight years and eight million dollars in the making, the center opened for classes in August 1999.

Clarksburg Campus

Learning's New Look

FOR YEARS, STUDENTS and faculty at the Clarksburg Center of FSC were forced to endure small, stuffy classrooms, archaic computers and grossly inadequate labs. Although plans were underway for a new campus in Clarksburg, it would take eight long years for the dream to become a reality. The wait was well worth it as the Gaston Caperton Center of FSC opened for the 1999 fall semester.

The new facility was designed by architects Gates, Calloway, Moore and Wets and was constructed by the TMARO Corporation of Bridgeport, WV.

The new campus encompasses 36,000 square feet and cost a total of eight million dollars. Student capacity has doubled from 1,200 to 2,300. The facility boasts two computer labs with twelve computers each, a life sciences lab, and a physics lab. There is also a physical therapy lab for the Physical Therapy Assistant Program.

Course offerings at the center have greatly expanded. Students can now sign up for classes such as Minority Literature, Modern American History, Anatomy and Physiology, and Advanced Business Law for Managers.

The new library can contain up to 10,000 volumes and has 24 computers, all connected to the Internet and assorted databases. They are also linked to the main campus, and books are available through the WV Higher Education System. The new Caperton Center has definitely been worth the wait.

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ORMER West Virginia governor Gaston aperton was honored at the dedication eremony with a bronze bust to be placed the Clarksburg campus that bears his ame.

tate of the Art

NE of the newly-equipped science labs at he Gaston Caperton Clarksburg Center eatures state-of-the-art facilities as well s comfortable surroundings.

Written on the Wall

GOLDEN letters designate the new FSC Clarksburg building as the Gaston Caperton Center of Fairmont State College.

“It's a high-paced, precise field that requires dedicated students, but it offers many rewards.”

Professor Thomas Stose

New Digs

THE Robert C. Byrd Aerospace Center in Harrison County was dedicated in the fall of 1999, as the FSC Foundation Dinner was held there with keynote speaker and honoree Senator Robert C. Byrd.

Robert C. Byrd Aerospace Center

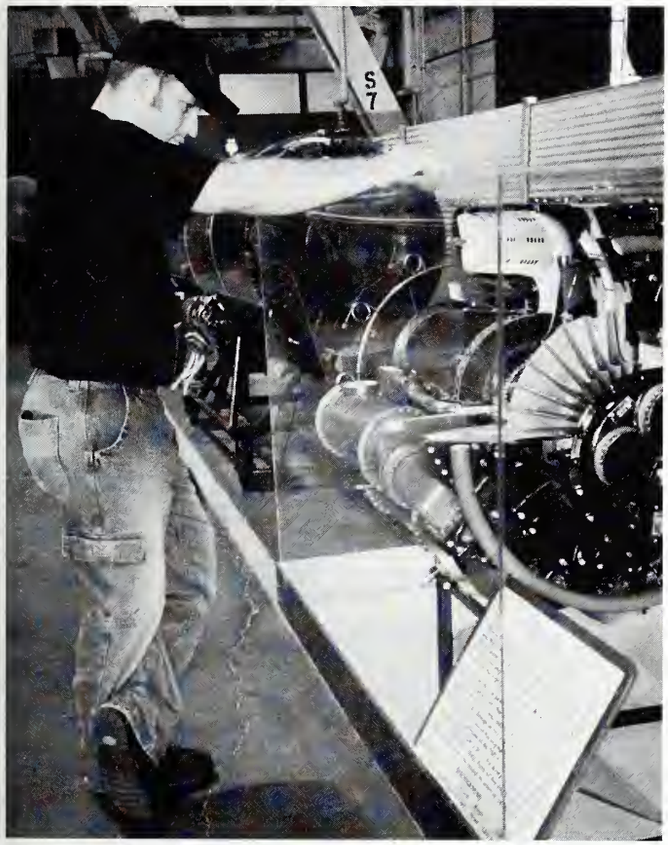
Learning's New Look

Hand Me a Wrench

THESE students are part of the new aviation maintenance program at the RCB Aerospace Center.

More Power

A student in the aviation maintenance program at the RCB Aerospace Center studies a model turbojet engine from General Electric.



THE TIMING COULD NOT have been better. Who would have guessed that a new aviation program at FSC would open its doors the same time the industry is experiencing major employee shortage? "The market demand for aviation personnel is tremendous," associate professor Brad Gilbert said, "especially in the airframe and powerplant and avionics side."

Students began taking classes in avionics and maintenance seven years ago at FSC's main campus while construction on the new Robert C. Byrd National Aerospace Educational Center (NAEC) was being completed. The NAEC operates under FSC's School of Technology, and students have a wide array of degrees to choose from- everything from an associate of applied science in avionics maintenance technology to a bachelor of science in either aviation technology or aviation administration/flight.

Like many technology programs, this one is not for anyone who is not willing to work hard. Students in the aviation maintenance management program must have a minimum of 1,900 hours to obtain their airframe and powerplant certification.

The center's newest program opened this fall. And now that the Robert C. Byrd Center is in full operation, new programs will continue to be added throughout the years.

Fly Me Away

STUDENTS in the aviation programs at the RCB Center learn to repair and pilot single-engine passenger planes such as this one.

Waiting and Watching

A cello player waits for his cue during a fall symphony performance in Colebank Hall auditorium.

Master Maestra

WEST Virginia Symphony Orchestra Maestra Rachel Worby conducts a chorus of singers during a performance in Colbank Hall.

Symphonies & Ensembles

Music to our Ears

IN 1965, JULIE ANDREWS filled movie theaters with *The Sound of Music*. On January 28, 2000, Maestra Rachel Worby and the Wheeling Symphony Orchestra filled our own Colebank Hall with music. The evening's program was titled "Changing Moods."

The musical numbers chosen were selections from Vivaldi and Mozart. These selections were all related to the four seasons. The orchestra was not the only performance at the concert. There was also a very special instrumental violinist, Fionnaula Hunt. Guest vocal soloists were soprano Angela M. Fout, tenor William Ferguson, mezzo-soprano Annie-Marie Seager and bass baritone Thami Zungu.

The Bach Choir of Pittsburgh and our Fairmont State Collegiate singers were the two honored choirs to sing at the concert as well. "This concert was very well performed and attended." said John Schooley. Also, Schooley mentioned that approximately 559 people came to the performance and the Wheeling Orchestra brings in an audience whenever they perform here at FSC.

Full House

A sellout crowd packed the Colebank Hall auditorium to hear the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra perform in the fall of 1999.

Stringing Along

THE strings section is always popular with audiences during symphony and ensemble performances.

On Cue

THESE violin players study their sheet music as they listen for their cue to begin playing. Concerts in Colebank Hall were an enjoyable way to spend a fall evening.

Theater Performances

A Class Act

WALLMAN HALL is a busy place throughout the school year and into the summer months--there are concerts, plays, programs and special performances on the Wallman Hall stage. Student theatre groups such as Masquers and the summer stock company The Town & Gown Players all showcase their talents here.

This year was no exception: performances ranged from student-directed one-act plays such as "Magic Theatre" to the live taping of the NPR-WV radio show *Mountain Stage*. The larger-scale productions included *Picnic*, a version of the classic Greek story *Antigone*, the drama *The Shadow Box*, and a student-written comedy, *The Green Bean Queen*.

Whether plays were part of larger campus celebrations such as the Kestrel Festival or Homecoming, theatre at FSC proved that, to the hundreds of audience members who attended, seeing the picture is worth at least 2000 words.

Antigone Cast

ROW 1: Josh Anderson, Missy Ryan, Stephanie Rafferty, Faith Morgan. Row 2: Sean Pierce, Janet Frohnapfel, Jodi Fortney, Kris Wagoner, Jason Roach. Row 3: Andy Blood, Jessica Scaggs, Clinton Gillespie, Rusty Thompson, Iris Kroll, Ty Woodson, Ian Fry, Rob Schupbach.

The Shadow Box

FAITH Morgan, Josh Anderson and Jeffrey Carder perform a scene from *The Shadow Box*.

Practice Makes Perfect

STEPHANIE Rafferty and Faith Morgan rehearse for the production of *Antigone*.

Acting Out

DENISE Giangiulio and Jonna Skidmore perform a dramatic scene in *The Shadow Box*.

Facing the Reaper

KRIS Wagoner and Jason Roach portray people facing death in *The Shadow Box*.

Kestrel Festival

High Art

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL Kestrel Festival took place here at FSC from April 5-8. This is a festival made up of poetic and literary readings, combined with workshops to train individuals in both literary and artistic expression.

Kestrel began with the Saint Patrick's Day Celebration at the Rose Garden Theater. This year workshops in novice and master level Celtic design directed by Pat Musick, novice level stone carving by Eauhmonn Ua Cuinn, master level fiction writing by Allison Moore, novice level fiction writing by Clark Perry and novice level poetry writing by Donna Long were offered to the public.

Work of Art

IRISH poet Katie Donovan and master stonecarver Eadhmonn Ua Cuinn, both featured Kestrel artists, admire one of Cuinn's works on display in the Turley Center Ballroom.

Making Music

CAMPBELL'S RUN musicians Craig Sims and Jan Hurst play during an Irish ceili during the April Kestrel Festival.

Carved in Stone

STUDENTS prepare stone slabs for carving during a novice level Celtic stonecarving workshop in Wallman Hall. Master stonecarver Eadhmonn Ua Cuinn, in the background, was the guest instructor.

And Now a Few Words...

LANGUAGE & LITERATURE chair Dr. Martin Bond introduces Irish poet Katie Donovan at the poetry reading in the ballroom. Student artwork was exhibited during the festival as well.

Stone Master

STUDENTS listen as Eadhmonn Ua Cuinn explains a technique during his novice level Celtic stonecarving workshop in Wallman Hall.

Kestrel

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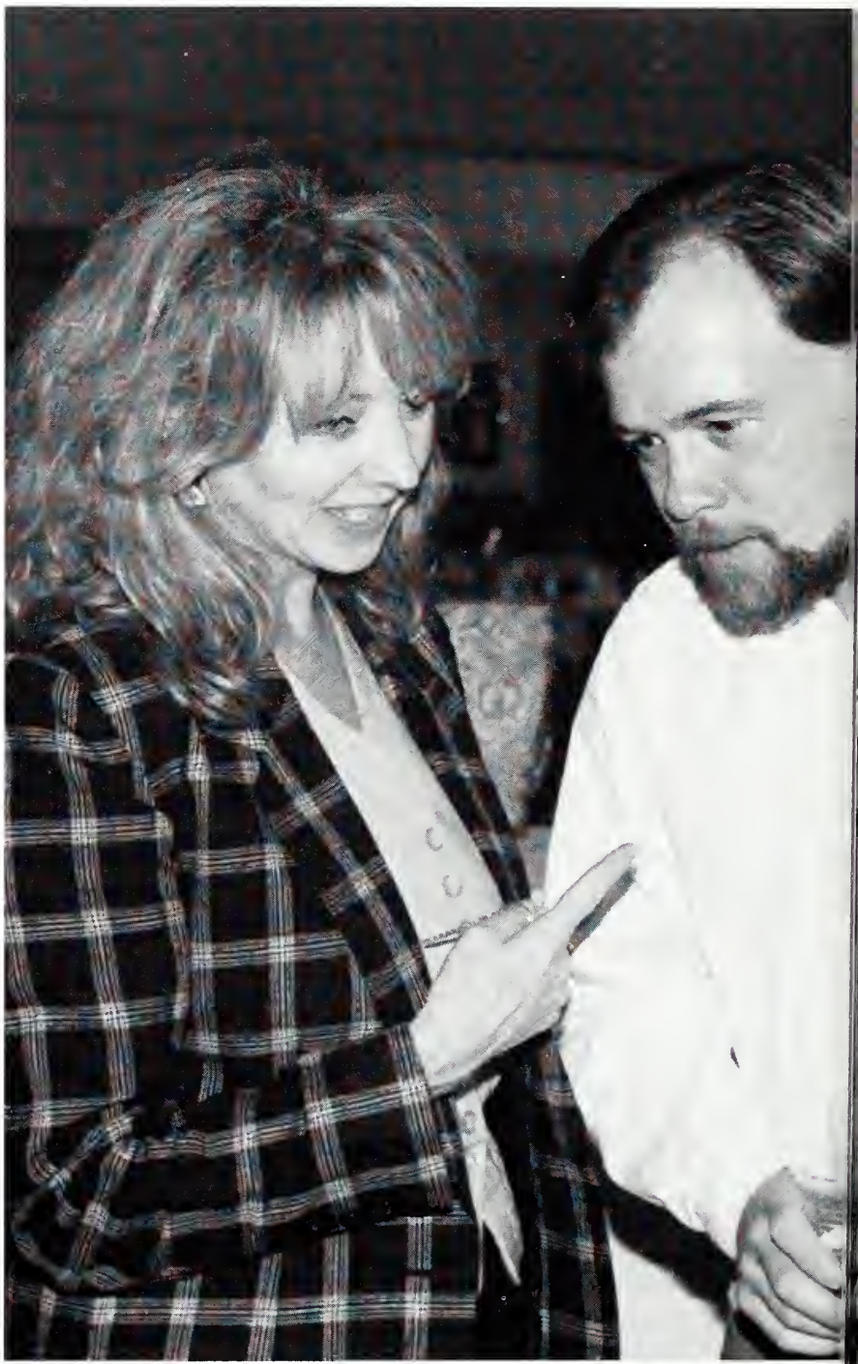
Organizers

KESTREL coordinator Mary Stewart and associate editor John Hoppenthaler enjoy the fruits of their labor at the Kestrel Festival.



Lilting Notes

CELTIC musician Mick Moloney entertains a crowd in the Turley Center Ballroom with Irish songs and folklore. Moloney is a professor of folklore at Villanova University.

Words of Wisdom

POET and journalist Katie Donovan speaks with a group of attentive students in the Turley Center Fireside Room.

The Artist

ARTIST Pat Musick explains one of her Celtic-inspired works during a Celtic design workshop.

The Art of the Dance

DANCE instructor Maxine Olsen explains the traditions behind several forms of Irish dancing. She has a dance studio in Harrison County.

Designing Students

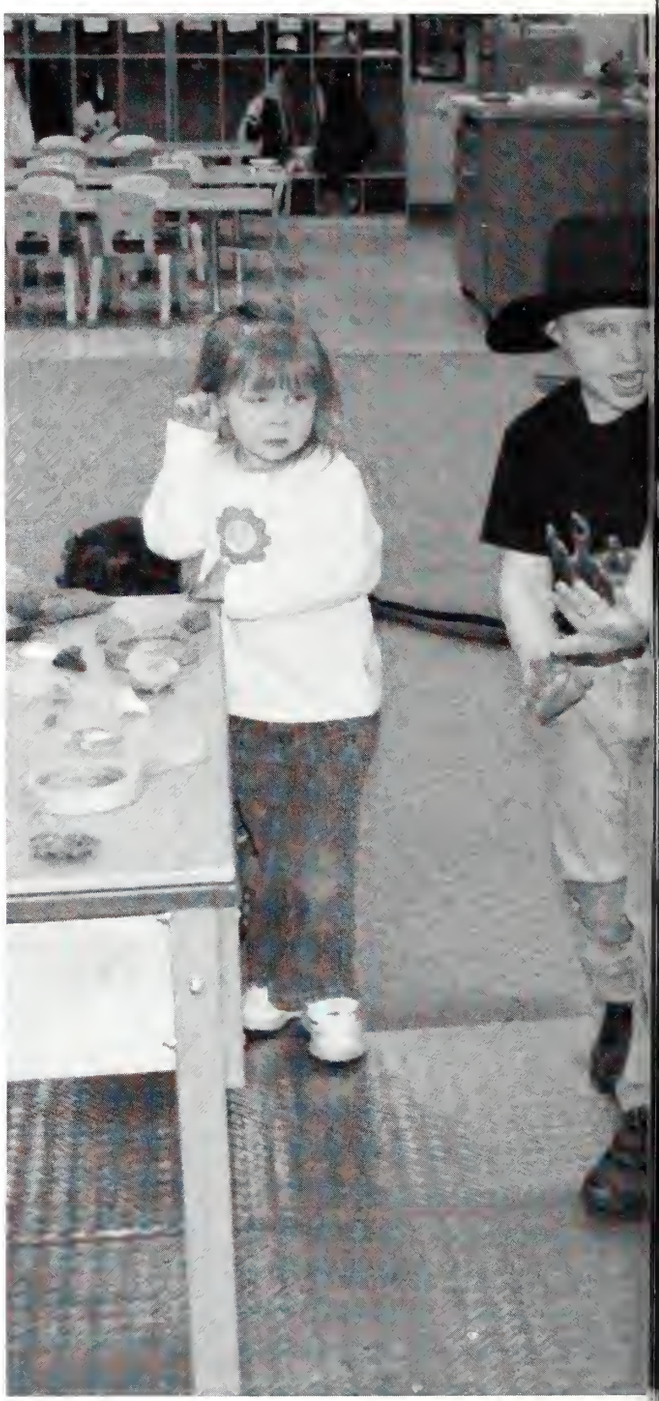
ONE student in Pat Musick's Celtic design workshop practices drawing the traditional whirls and circles of Celtic art.

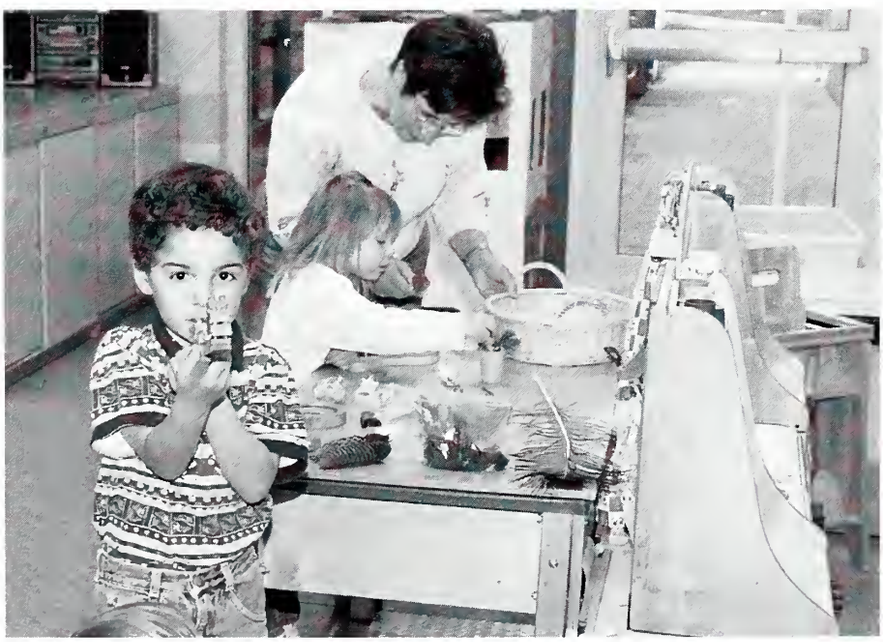
Playing House

TEACHER Sandy Petry helps two of her young charges in the "housekeeping" area of the Children's Learning Center.

These Boots

CLC student Zachary Swiger show off his cowboy boots during playtime as his friends look on.





Crafty Days

SANDY Petry helps CLC students at the craft table. Making crafts from items found in nature was a popular activity in the Center.

Who's That Girl?

COWGIRL Grace Slusser participates in the CLC Halloween Parade through the Hardway Building.

Child Learning Center

Caring for Kids

Little voices filling the air and miniature tables with lunch trays lined up in front of each tiny chair characterize 124 Education Building. And between noon and 2 pm, the darkened room is replete with small, blanket-wrapped bodies, napping on foam mattresses to the soothing sounds of ocean waves emanating from the CD player. And through the floor-to-ceiling windows is glimpsed the outdoor play center, complete with slide, playhouse and the requisite sandbox.

The FSC Children's Learning Center, under the direction of Leslie Haning, has been serving the children of FSC students, faculty and staff for nearly a decade. Children between the ages of 2 and 8 are accepted at the Center, which provides care from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm. The teacher-student ratio is low, providing hours of one-on-one attention to the dozen or so enrolled children.

In addition to Haning, the Center is staffed by teachers Sandra Petry, Diane Snell and Cassandra Riffle, and student helper Deneen Robrecht. The Center also offers FSC child care program students a supervised place to practice their craft before going out into the working world.

Nature Days

ZACHARY Swiger and his classmate Aaron look at pussy willow branches on the CLC craft table.

Art Exhibits

Exhibiting Talent

THE WALLMAN HALL GALLERY has become synonymous with art shows. Any day of the week during the academic year, members of the campus community can find artwork in a variety of media displayed in the gallery. Art majors hold their senior exhibits there, and visiting campus artists set up displays as well, sometimes accompanying the show with a "gallery talk" about the work displayed there. CAOS, the Creative Arts Organization for Students, holds juried art shows in the gallery, and in May held a juried show of 64 works by student artists. Art exhibits were also held in the Turley Center Ballroom throughout the year.

The artists on campus and those who are visiting campus showed once again that A PICTURE IS WORTH 2000 WORDS.

Art Critique

DREW Altizer and Gabriel Lee view artwork hanging in the Turley Center Ballroom as part of the Kestrel Festival.

Hand Crafted

ART major Sonya Thomas works on a sculpture in the art studio located in Wallman Hall.

Mural Mania

PUTTING the finishing touches on a two-panel mural, this art student prepares his work for an exhibit in the Wallman gallery.

Artist of Merit

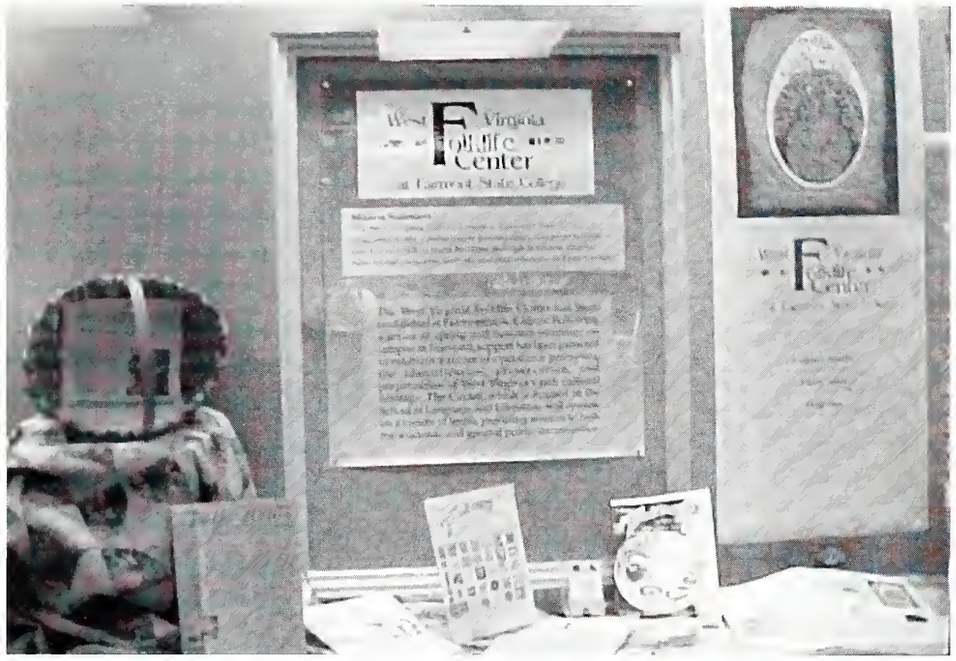
MARSHA Kirk was one of the student artists whose work was featured in a spring exhibit in the Ballroom.

Larger than Life

ANGELA Rehbein reviews one of her oversized paintings that was displayed for the spring Whetstone Evening.

Folklife on Display

ARTIFACTS and information about the WV Folklife Center at FSC are hung in one of the library showcases.



Artists and Advisors

MEETING with artist Pat Musick are folklorist Noel Tenney and FSC's Dr. Judy Byers and Dr. Fred Fidura.

Folklife Folks

PATTY Fidura and Dr. George Byers attended Pat Musick's gallery talk in conjunction with the Kestrel Festival.

Program Mentor

FOLKLIFE coordinator Dr. Judy Byers speaks with Dr. B. Mauer, one of the supporters of the program at FSC.

Folklife Center

A Class Act

THIS YEAR, FSC became one of 12 schools in America to offer academic study in folklore. Language & Literature faculty member Dr. Judy Byers serves as program director of the new folklore minor as well as the West Virginia Folklife Center, headquartered in 313 Colebank Hall. Byers was named the literary executrix of Ruth Ann Musick's unpublished folklore estate after Musick's death in 1974, and Musick's archives are housed in the Folklife Center.

According to Byers, folklore in one aspect is analyzing our personal culture, beliefs, attitudes and heritage through the study of myths, legends, folk songs, tales, ghost lore, music and storytelling. Byers said, "To look at folklore is to look at yourself better."

In conjunction with folklore studies at FSC, a summer Folklife Seminar was held for public school teachers in June. The folklore minor is just another example of the expansion in programs happening all across campus, as FSC heads into the 21st century.

Mural Artist

PAT MUSICK, great-niece of Ruth Ann Musick and creator of the enamel murals in the lobby of the library, speaks at a Folklife Advisory Committee meeting.

Fall Graduation

The Final Piece

WINTER COMMENCEMENT was held on Saturday December 18, 1999 in the Feaster Center. Faculty members in full regalia led by Commencement Marshall Allen Colebank, Suzanne Snyder and Mace Bearer Anthony Brizendine marched to their seats to the processional conducted by Alice Moerk and the Student Bass Quintet. President Janet Dudley-Eshbach presided over the ceremony which was assisted by Frederick Fidura, Provost and Vice President, Vicki Riley Provost. Campus Minister for the Wesley Foundation, Reverend Richard Bowyer gave the invocation, and J. Ryan Whitescarver presented the vocal selection "At the River."

Dennis Bone gave the Commencement address. It was then followed by the senior class representative Clinton Lawson's message to the class of 1999 as well as Frank Pulice Jr.'s greeting from the FSC Alumni Association.

Fidura and Riley presented the candidates for degrees in 315 bachelor and 94 associate degree areas. President Dudley-Eshbach conferred the degrees and delivered a personal closing message to the graduating class in which she thanked faculty, families and friends for their support of the seniors. For many of the Fairmont State class of 1999, Winter Commencement symbolized a final step on the long journey that is higher education.

"I will always consider myself an FSC guy and a Falcon fan."

FSC graduate

A Musical Note

RYAN Whitescarver sings "At the River" during the December commencement ceremony.

Crowd Pleaser

COMMENCEMENT speaker Dennis Bone addresses the graduates, faculty and guests in the Feaster Center.

The Graduate

PRESIDENT Janet Dudley-Eshbach congratulates graduate Barbara Mayle as she presents Mayle with her diploma.

Standing Room

FACULTY members, below, stand as the processional is played and the graduates take their seats.

Rocket Boy

WEST Virginia native and author Homer Hickam, Jr. was the commencement speaker. Hickam is best known for his book *Rocket Boys*.

Presidential Presentation

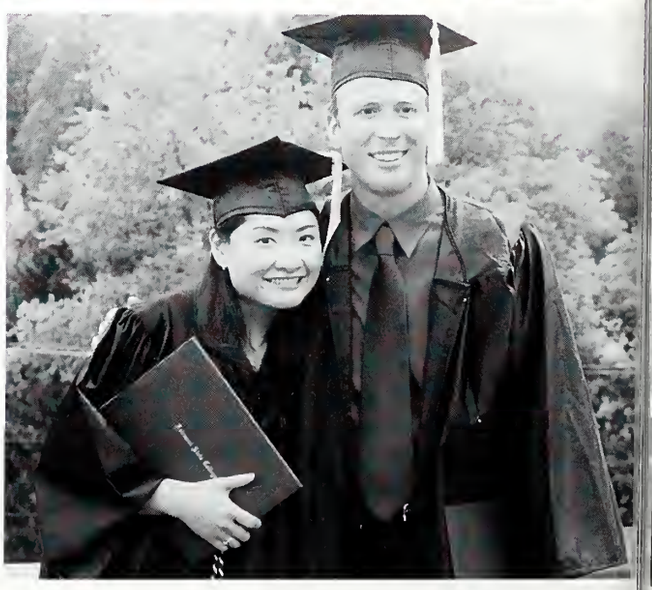
FSC president Janet Dudley-Eshbach presented diplomas to over 300 graduates at the commencement ceremony in the Feaster Center.

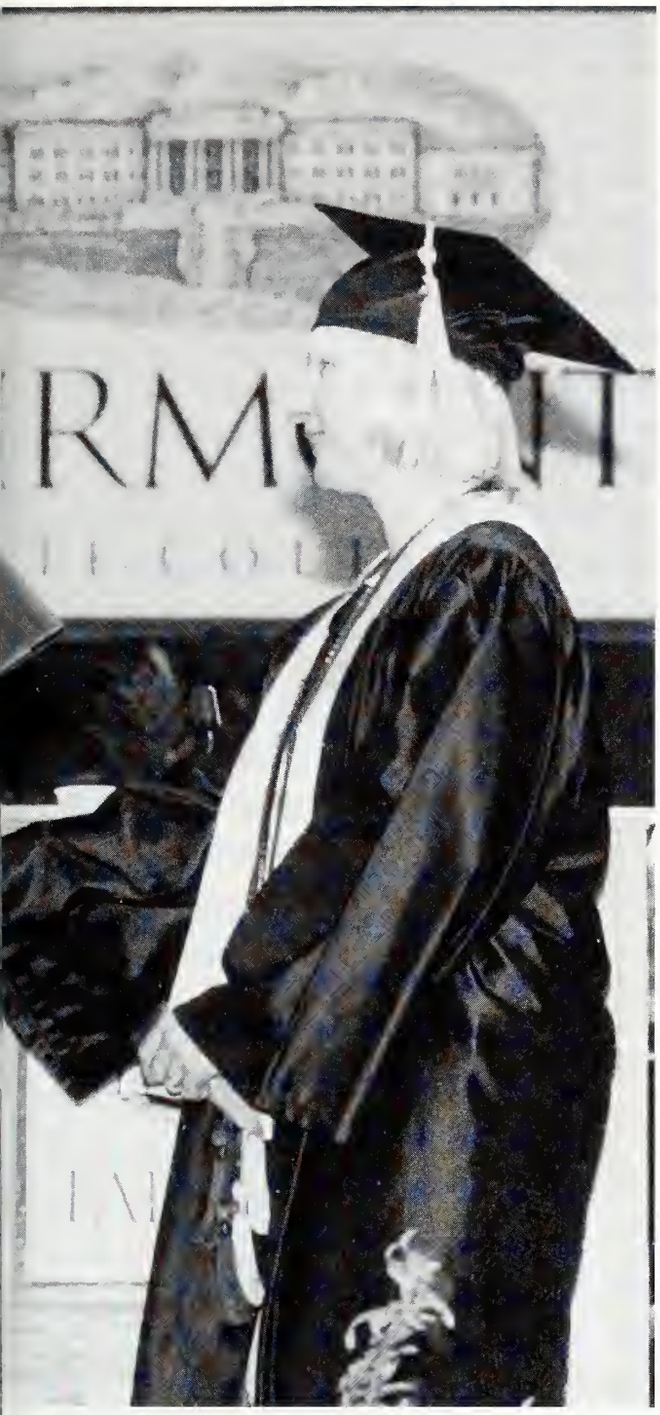
A Sea of Mortarboards

GUEST speaker Homer Hickam speaks to the assembled graduates and faculty members.

Happy Grads

OVER 600 degrees were awarded to the class of 2000 members, and nearly 300 graduates marched in the ceremony, including the two shown here.





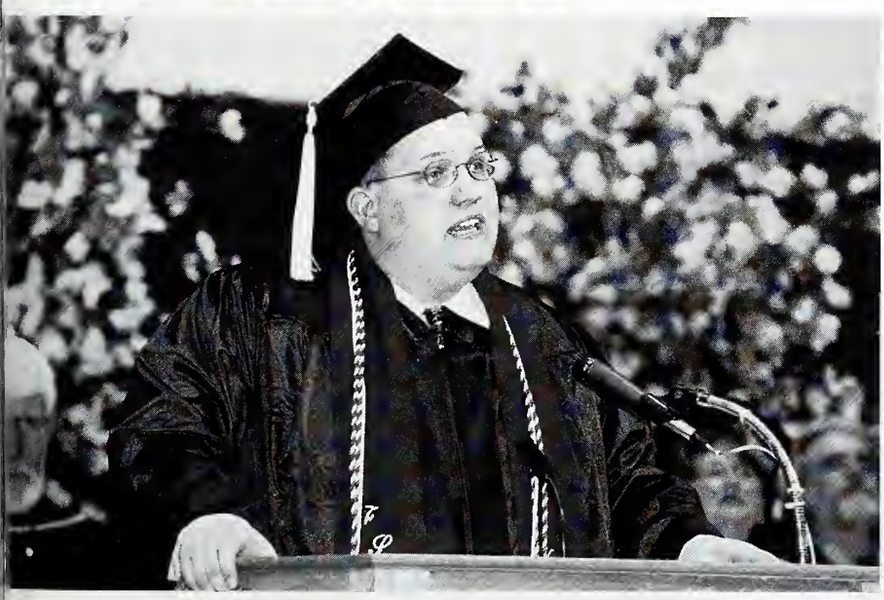
Spring Graduation

A Final Farewell

ON SATURDAY, May 13, as the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" filled the air, over 300 of the more than 600 1999-2000 FSC graduates marched into the Feaster Center, accompanied by members of the faculty in full academic regalia. President Janet Dudley-Eshbach welcomed the graduates, faculty and friends and family members who had assembled for the traditional ceremony.

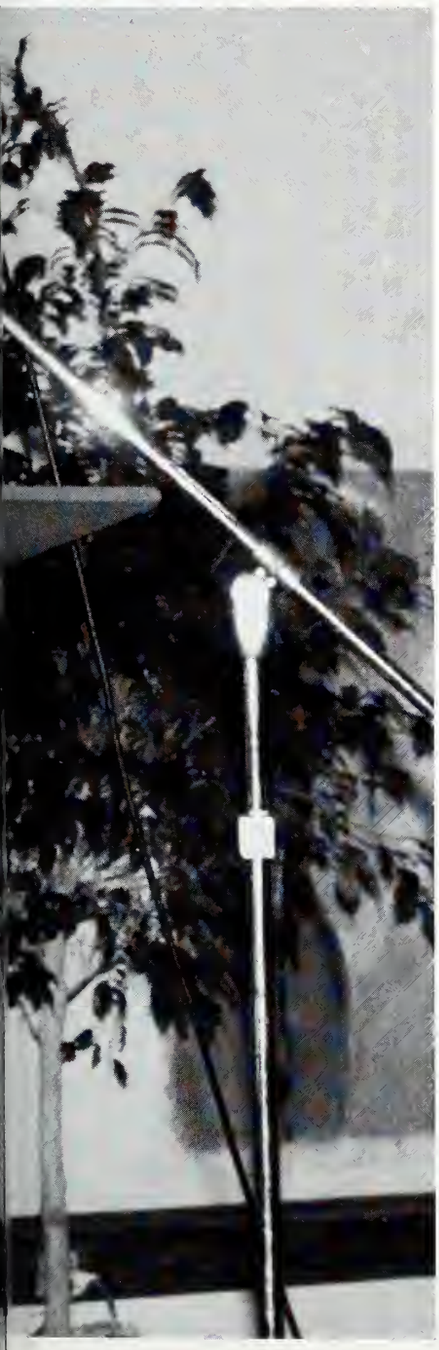
Guest speaker Homer Hickam, Jr., a West Virginia native best known for his book *Rocket Boys*, addressed the audience about his rise to fame. Hickam attributed his success to a life spent working hard and taking risks without fear of failure. *Rocket Boys* was one of the New York Times' Great Books of 1998, and when it was re-released as *October Sky* to coincide with the movie of the same title, the book spent 16 weeks on the New York Times' bestseller list, including three weeks at number one.

Dudley-Eshbach then presented diplomas to the graduates, as each one was announced and walked across the stage where the school chairpersons and dignitaries were seated. Although for most graduates the ceremony signals the end of their academic careers, it was, in the true sense of the word, a "commencement"-a new beginning of their life in the "real world."



Honor Graduate

STUDENT Government president Rob Kimble addresses the audience during the commencement ceremony.



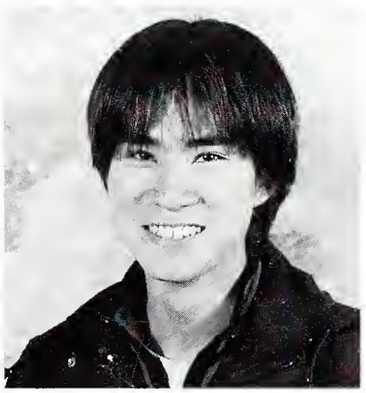
PEOPLE

Individually Exposed

MERE FACES IN THE crowd simply cannot begin to describe the Fairmont State College palette of people. The FSC citizenry is comprised of people who attend classes, people who contribute to the advancement of the college, instructors who truly make a difference, administrators who make sure everything runs like a well-oiled machine, and many others that enable FSC to be such a friendly campus.

As one glances up and down campus hills, he or she would notice a plethora of personalities, all with different voices, faces, and ideas waiting to be exposed. Although there will always be those who stand out from the crowd and publicly create a name for themselves, no student should be overlooked in their noble quest for knowledge.

Freshmen and sophomores are the newest additions to the picture while the juniors and seniors are experienced images. The college Faculty are also extremely significant mainstays to the FSC portrait. Even though they are individually photographed, the masses of Fairmont State College attendees compose part of a much larger picture, and that picture is worth 2000 words.



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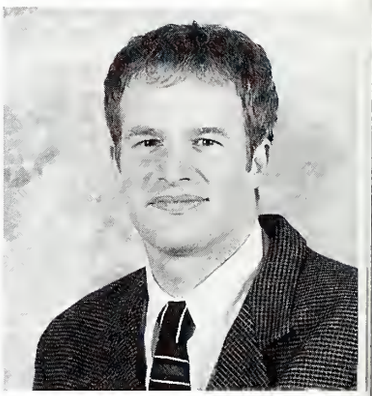

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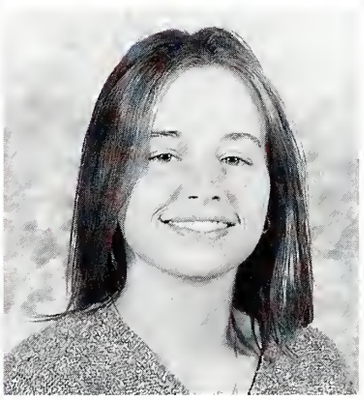

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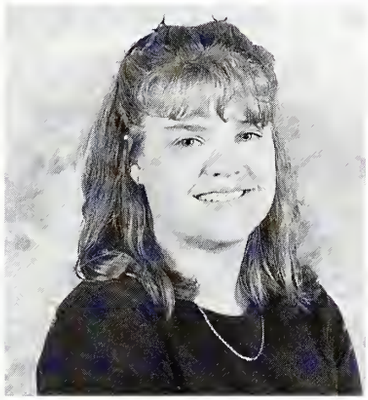

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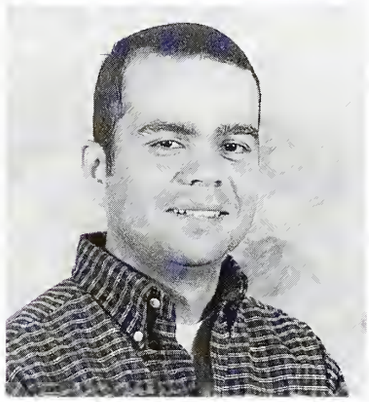

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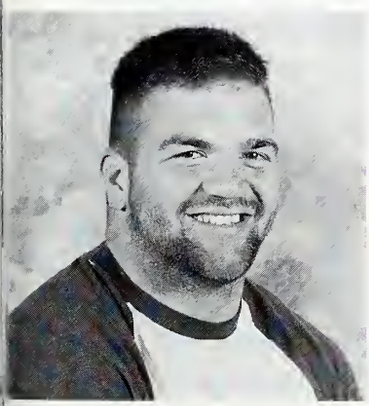

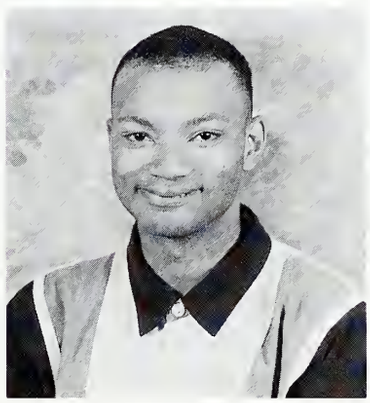

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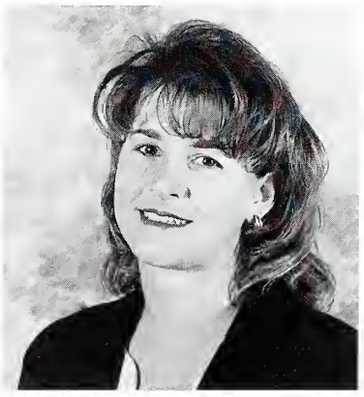

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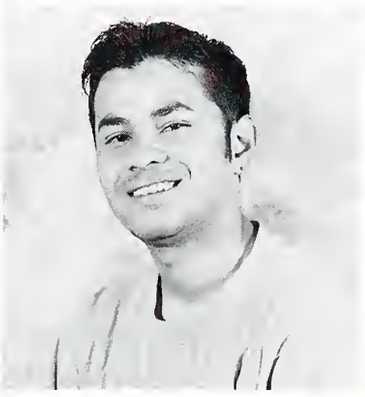

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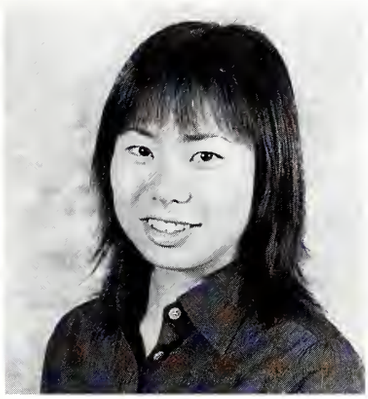

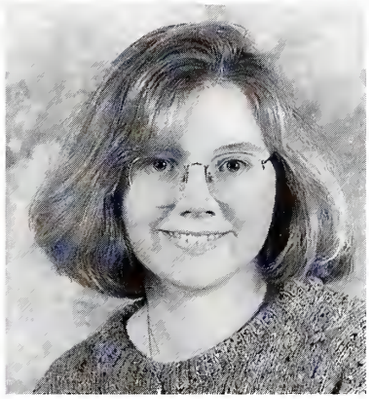

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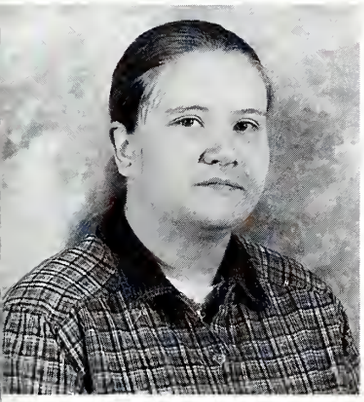

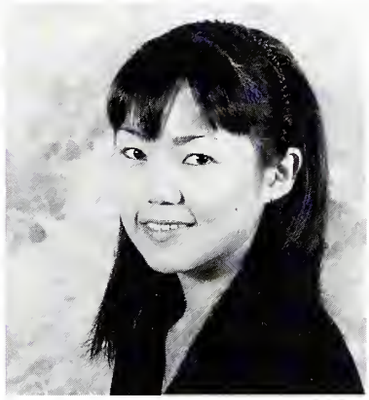

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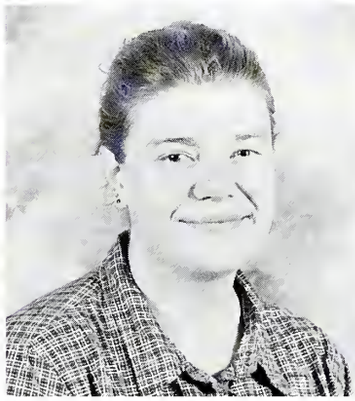

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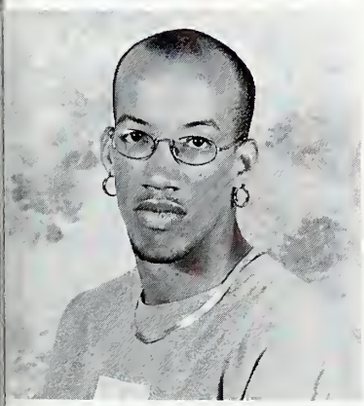

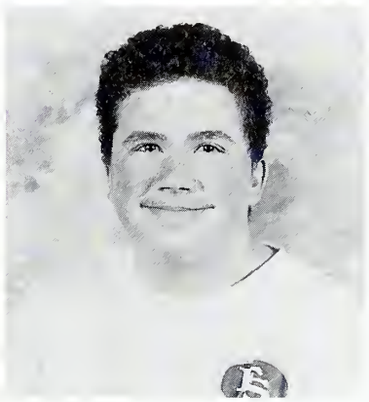

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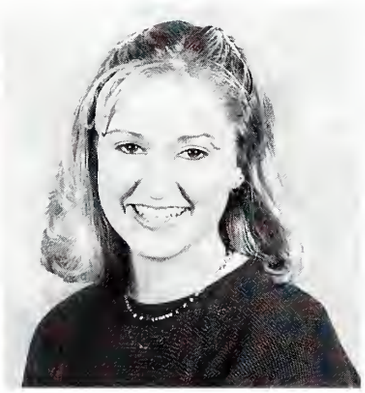

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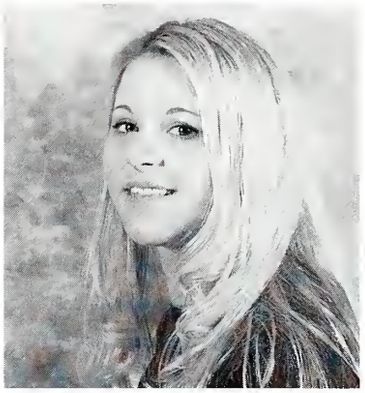

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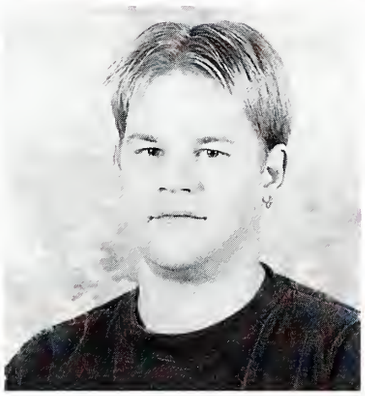

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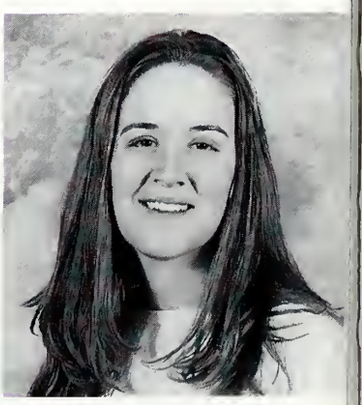

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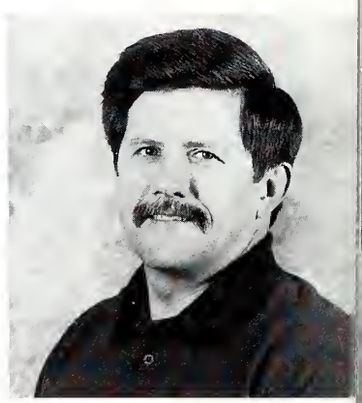

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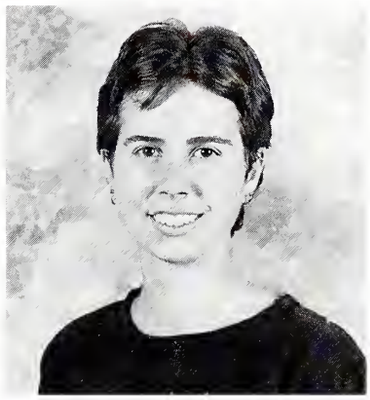

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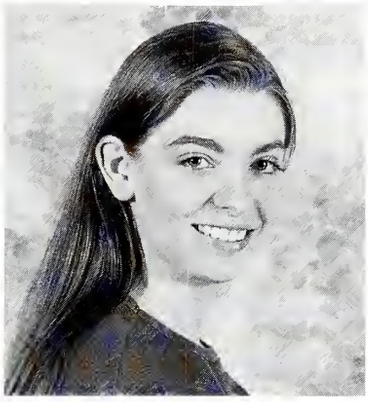

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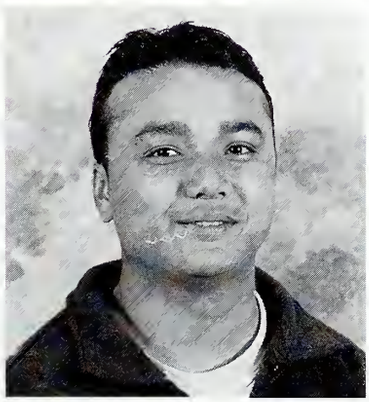

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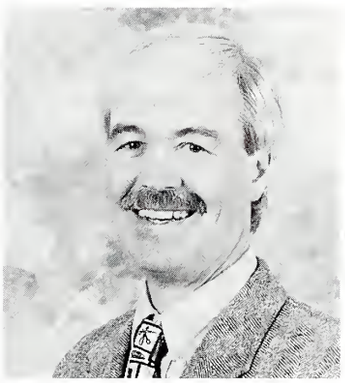

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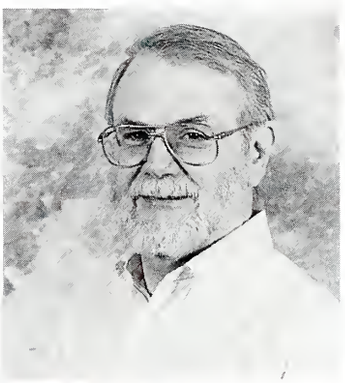

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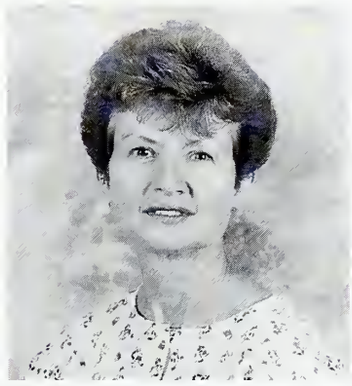

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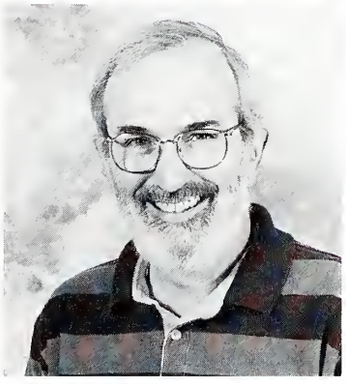

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ATHLETICS

Grabbing the Gold

A NEW MILLENNIUM means a brand new start for the athletic program at FSC. Fortunately, Fairmont's athletics were able to build upon past successes in order to continue their athletic prowess into the new century. There were a plethora of athletic accomplishments that set FSC apart from the rest and propelled our athletes to a new level of superiority.

The football team finished their season with a record of 8-2, which included the 49-19 Falcon victory over the Glenville State Pioneers on Homecoming Saturday. The football team placed second in the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and had six players make the all-conference first team. The swim team produced two qualifiers for all-American status, the FSC cheerleaders won their region and placed third overall in the state, and men's and women's basketball also fared extremely well in the face of stiff competition.

All of FSC's athletics had illustrious seasons and should be commended for their efforts. We are often at a loss for words to be able to fully describe the blood, sweat, and tears that accompany an athletic season, but sometimes that picture can be worth 2000 words.

FOOTBALL

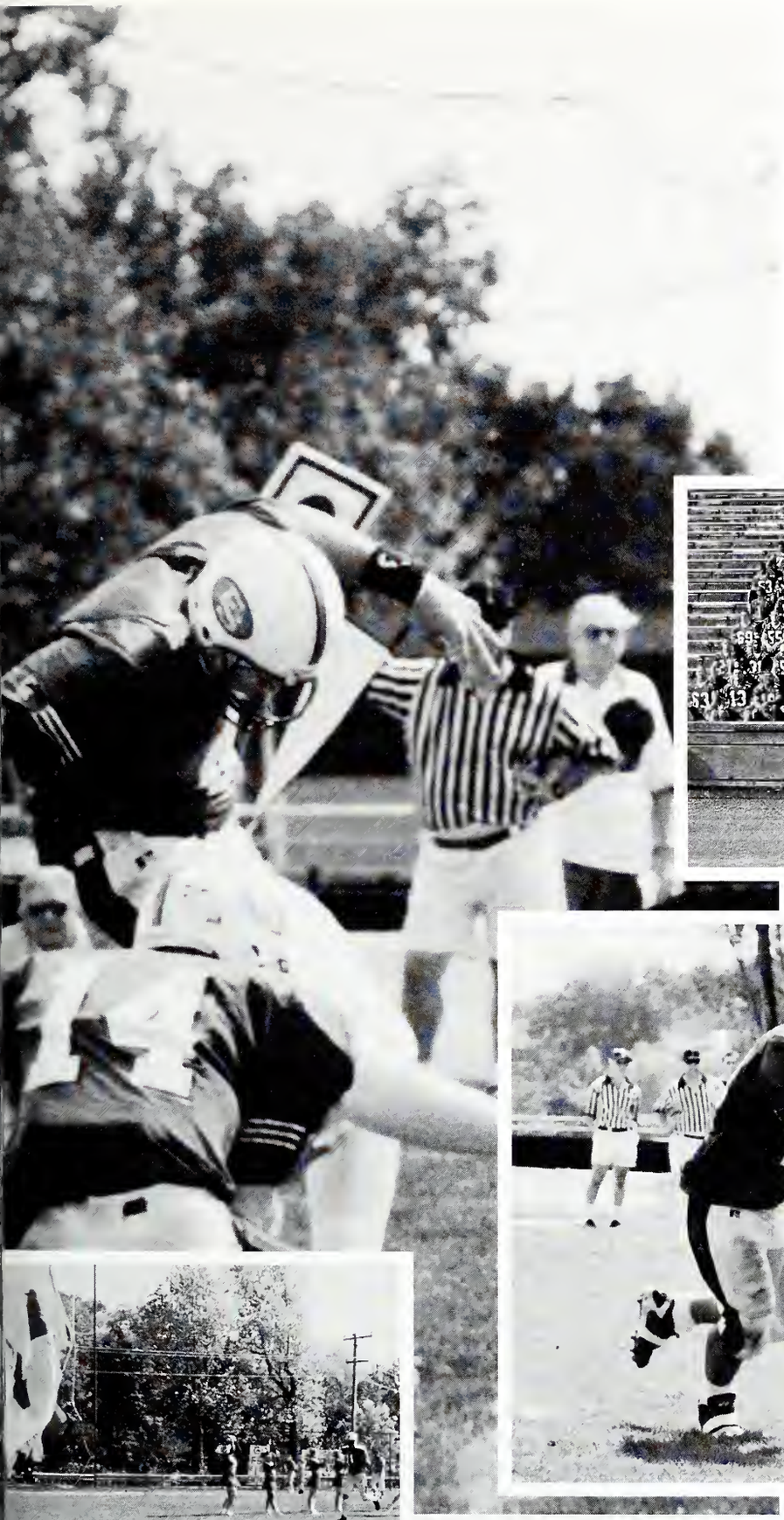
GRIDIRON GREATNESS...

The 1999-2000 season for the Falcon Football team ended on a good note as the new millennium approached. Coach Sams could not be any happier with the way the team played. He has good reason because our Falcons had a record of 8-2, which is their best record since 1981. Sams also had six All Conference Players. The "Super Six" are Robert Davidson, Tony Mainella, Nathan White, Bryan Harman, Jason Trent, and Jake Spruell.

This year was hard hit as fifteen seniors had to say goodbye. Sams pointed out, "We were 8-2 was because no one was individualized. We were a solid team and no one else saw it differently. It was not a one-man show and that is why we did so well." Two games he mentioned really had an impact. One was the game against California University of PA which went into three overtimes. The other was against bitter rival Glenville State in which our Falcons scored 49 points. It is clear that our Fighting Falcon football team has a bright future ahead.

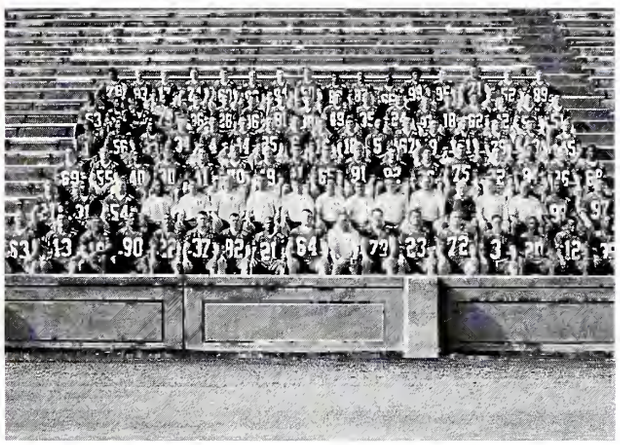
LOOSE BALL...Junior linebacker Rudy Flanagan looks to see who has the ball in the pile of Falcons and Campbellsville players.

FALCON PRIDE...The Falcon mascot waves the FSC colors with pride as he leads the football team onto Rosier Field for another gridiron contest.



UP, UP AND AWAY...Nathan White, sophomore place kicker, sends the ball toward the uprights. Sophomore quarterback Bryan Harman held the ball for the kick.

THE FIGHTING FALCONS...
The 1999 FSC Falcon football team and coaches.



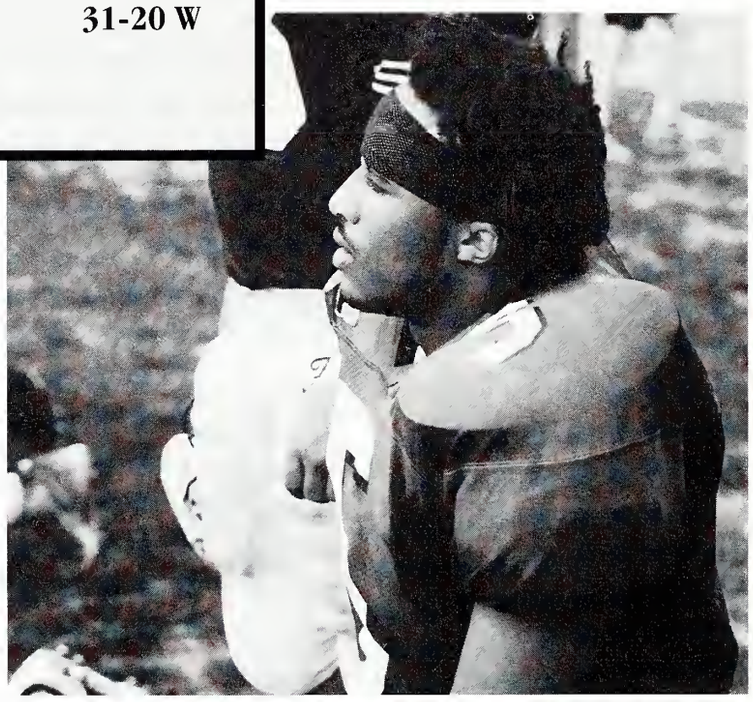
HOT POTATO...Quarterback Bryan Harman hands the ball off to freshman punter Travis Paul on fourth down in a home game against Campbellsville.

SCOREBOX

Campbellsville	43-7 W
at California (Pa.) University	51-49 W
Slippery Rock	10-34 L
at WVU-Tech	37-24 W
Glenville State	49-19 W
Shepherd College	7-42 L
at West Liberty	29-19 W
at West Virginia Wesleyan	55-26 W
Concord College	34-13 W
at West Virginia State	31-20 W

Record 8-2

DRIVING HOME...Senior running back Robert Davidson runs with the ball in an attempt to gain yardage during the Homecoming game against Glenville State.



TIME OUT...Freshman fullback Khalil Anthony takes a break on the sidelines as the Falcons play a home game at Rosier Field.

LOOKING FOR DAYLIGHT...Freshman wide receiver Germaine Johnson looks for an opening between two defensive linemen as he runs past the 30-yard line at Rosier Field.

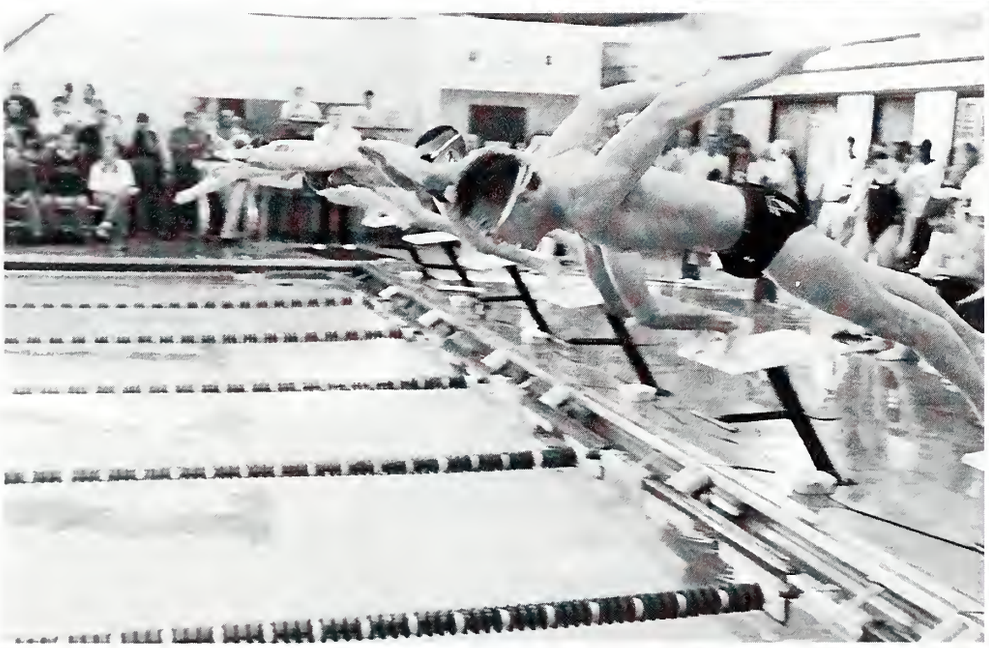
BROUGHT DOWN...Falcon defensive players rush in as the California University quarterback is sacked in his own backfield.

BLOCK THAT MAN...Senior running back Robert Davidson runs with the ball as junior tight end Jeremy Richardson blocks the Concord College defensive man.

DOES IT HURT TO DO THIS?...Junior Mike Fortier, a defensive lineman for the Falcons, gets medical attention from a team trainer for a finger injury.

TALKING STRATEGY...Swimmers Mark Stefl and Kete Callahan discuss their races during a meet at the Feaster Center pool.

WATCHING THE CLOCK...Swimmer Toni Riley watches her teammates' times as Melissa Melvin looks on.



THE RACE IS ON...Falcon swimmer Ryan Weld leaps off the starting platform and into the water.

SWIMMING

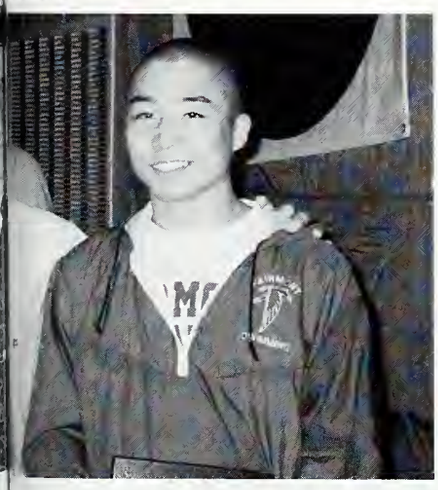
MAKING A SPLASH...

In 1984, actress Daryl Hannah and director Ron Howard teamed up to make the big hit *Splash*. Fairmont State's swimming coach Ed Denny, along with his men and women's teams, made a splash of their own in what was a very exciting season. The men's team ended 1999-2000 with a record of 8-1, and the women's record was 5-4.

Three swimmers put their names in the record books at the Buffalo, NY Championships. Kristy Renfro set records there in the 500 freestyle prelims, 200 freestyle finals, 100 breaststroke finals, and the 1650 freestyle finals. Hide Amagasa made a record in the 200 butterfly. Uros Kalinic made records in the 100 backstroke and the 200 backstroke. Coach Denny summed up 1999-2000: " With a lot of the younger swimmers that we have, we made great strides for national competition."

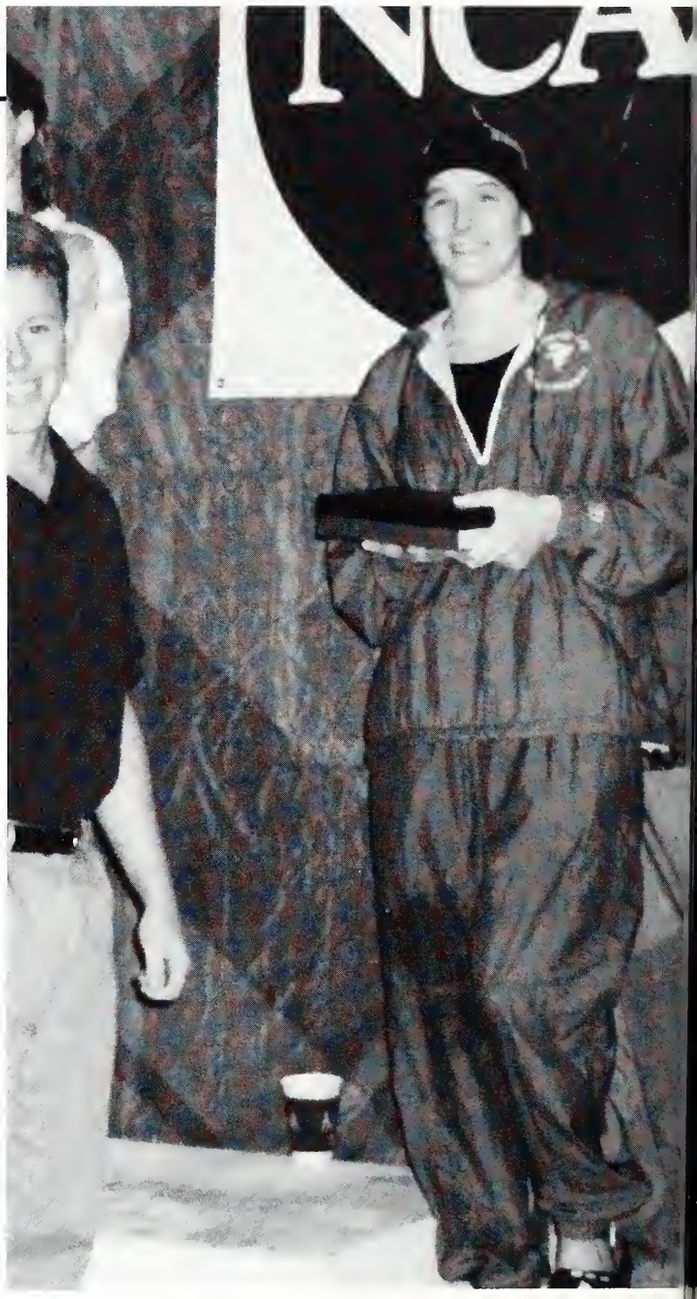
Fairmont State is saying goodbye to six swimmers: Kristy Renfro, Meghan Hennessy, Adam Love, Kete Callahan, Jason Davenport, and Southmoreland alumnus Mark Stefl. Coach Denny is very successful in making each swimmer perform their best, and after what happened in Buffalo, there will be more names for FSC in future record books.

MAKING WAVES...Meghan Hennessy backstrokes through the water at the Feaster Center.



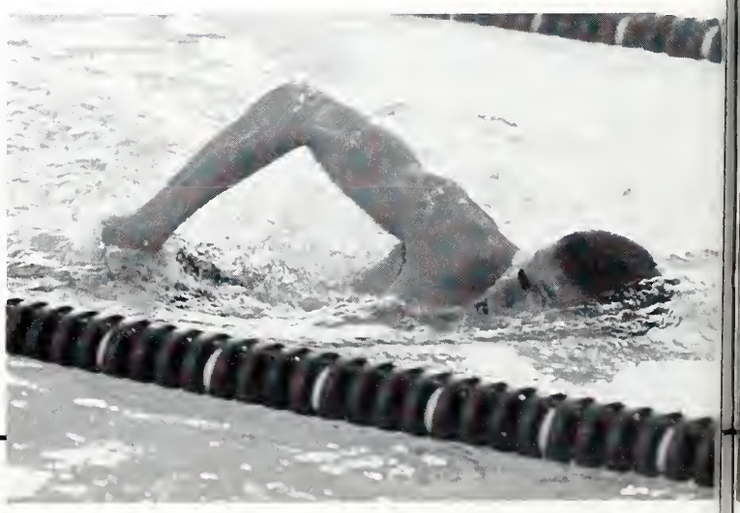
NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS...Coach Ed Denny and swimmer Hide Amagasa pose at the Buffalo, NY event.

FREESTYLE...Kristy Renfro climbs out of the pool after her race at the NCAA championships.



1999-2000 TEAM...Row 1: Catherine Banazak, Meghan Hennessy, Jim Jacquez, Andy Waeger. Row 2: Jason Davenport, Kete Callahan, Kristy Renfro, Mark Stefl, Adam Love. Row 3: Drew Hansel, Jeremy Monday, Ryan Weld, Bill Friedline, Alexis Rocheck, Hide Amagasa, Uros Kalinic. Row 4: Kamil Cepelak, Sonia Solomon, Carrie Ashton, Melissa Melvin, Toni Riley, Ryan Albertus.

STROKE...Swimmer Ryan Weld plows through the water during a freestyle heat.

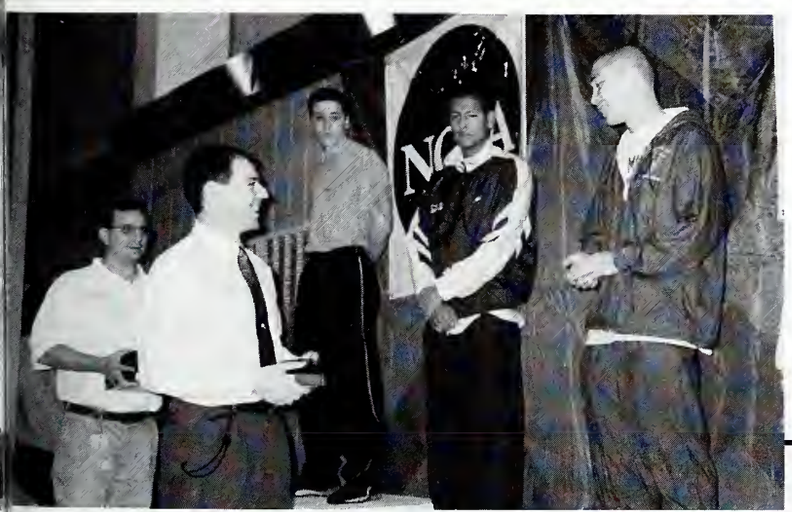


RECORD SETTER...Kristy Renfro receives her fourth place award in the 200m freestyle race during the NCAA championships.

Scorebox

Wheeling Jesuit University	Home
Indiana University of PA	Away
West Virginia Wesleyan	Away
Grove City College	Away
Salem Teikyo University	Away
Slippery Rock University	Home
Westminster College	Away
University of Charleston w/Penn State Altoona	Home
WVIAC/Bluegrass Mountain Championships	Wooster, OH
NCAA II National Championships	Buffalo, NY

ON YOUR MARK...Uros Kalinic gets set for the start of the backstroke heat in the Feaster Center pool.



THIRD PLACE...Coach Ed Denny presents Hide Amagasa a third place award in the 200-yard butterfly in Buffalo, NY.

Women's Golf

A DIFFERENT KIND OF COURSE...

First-year women's golf coach Reid Amos had a team culled from the ranks of the basketball, volleyball and swimming teams, but he pulled out a respectable year.

Amos and team members Catherine Banazak, Courtney Barabas, Stephanie Cox, Kara Morris and Hillary Zurbuch hit the greens at the Fairmont Field Club for home matches and put FSC athletics on the map once again with a successful spring season.

PUTT, PUTT... Kara Morris takes a gentle swing.

OUT OF THE ROUGH... Hillary Zurbuch tries to land her ball on the green.

GREEN STRATEGY... Coach Amos gives Courtney Barabas a few pointers during practice.

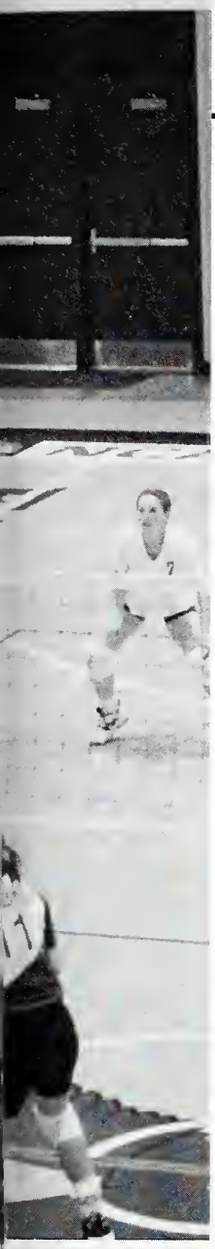
TEED OFF... Stephanie Cox watches her shot as the team looks on.

LADY DUFFERS... The 1999-2000 golf team: Stephanie Cox, Kara Morris, Catherine Banazak, Courtney Barabas, Hillary Zurbuch and coach Reid Amos.

SCOREBOX

8/27/99	Hillsdale	0-3	L
8/27/99	Ferris State	0-3	L
8/28/99	Northwood University	0-3	L
8/28/99	Saginaw Valley State	0-3	L
9/5/99	WVWesleyan	1-3	L
9/7/99	Mercyhurst College	3-1	W
9/7/99	at Concord College	3-0	W
9/8/99	California University	3-0	W
9/8/99	Millersville University	3-0	W
9/9/99	West Liberty	3-0	W
9/12/99	Columbia Union	3-0	W
9/12/99	College of WV	3-0	W
9/22/99	Shepherd	3-0	W
9/24/99	Lees-McRae	1-3	L
9/25/99	Elon	1-3	L
9/25/99	St. Augustine	3-1	W
9/28/99	at Wheeling Jesuit	1-3	L
10/1/99	Lees-McRae	3-2	W
10/1/99	Shaw University	3-0	W
10/1/99	NC Central	3-0	W
10/2/99	Fayettesville State	3-0	W
10/2/99	Converse College	3-0	W
10/2/99	Alderson-Broaddus	0-3	L
10/5/99	at West Virginia Tech	2-3	L
10/6/99	College of WV	3-0	W
10/9/99	Glenville State	3-2	W
10/10/99	Salem-Teikyo	3-0	W
10/10/99	Wheeling Jesuit	2-3	L
10/13/99	Glenville State	3-1	W
10/15/99	Slippery Rock	3-2	W
10/16/99	Edinboro University	1-3	L
10/19/99	Charleston	3-2	W
10/26/99	Alderson-Broaddus	3-2	W
10/29/99	at Clarion University	2-3	L
10/31/99	at Indiana University	1-3	L
11/3/99	at WV Wesleyan	2-3	L
11/5/99	West Virginia State	3-0	W

VOLLEYBALL TEAM...Row 1: Lori Conley, Tess McCormick, Cheyanne Stanley, Courtney Smitherman, Sarah Hall. Row 2: Coach Larry Hill, Natasha Ross, Tara Parsons, Jen Confer, Natalie Rappold.



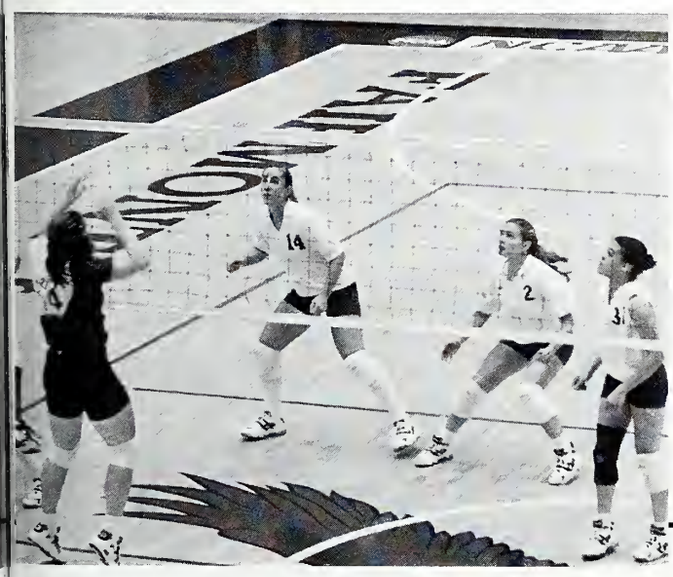
VOLLEYBALL

SUPERIOR SPIKING...

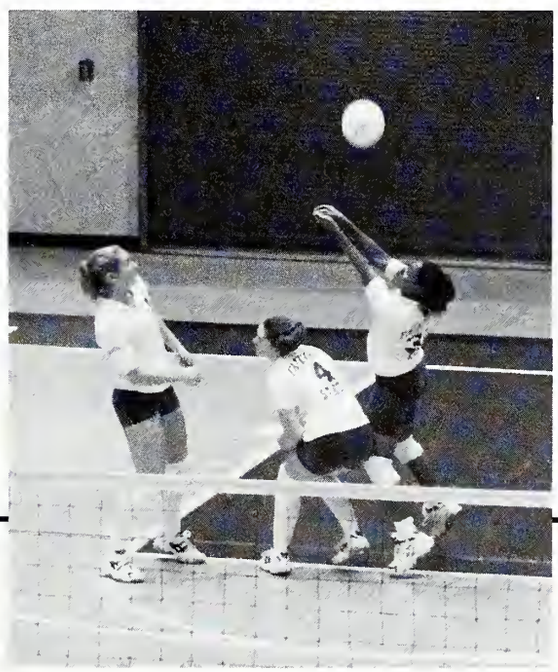
There is never a lack of superior achievement or success for Coach Larry Hill and his Volleyball team and 1999-2000 was not any different. Their record was 26-15 but that was just the beginning. Several players were awarded special recognition. Coach Hill had two All Conference players, Tasha Ross and Natalie Rappold. Jennifer Confer also made 2nd team All Conference. Making All Atlantic Region is an extremely prestigious award.

Larry Hill sums up all of this success by saying, "This group was really good as far as being over achievers. They just played very well together." This year was the last for Natasha Ross. Along with all of the titles that she earned, she was also Captain of the team. Coach Hill added, "We were a very young team. We would not have accomplished everything we did this year if it were not for our shared goal of winning the tournament for the 2nd year in a row." FSC says farewell to Natasha Ross but, for the rest of the team, they aim to put FSC Volleyball in record books.

NET ACTION..The Lady Falcons took on the University of Charleston at the Feaster Center.



UP IN THE AIR..The ladies watch for the ball to drop on the opponents' side.



TWO HANDS...Natasha Ross sends the ball skyward as her teammates prepare to assist.

Men's Basketball

SLAM N' JAM...

In his seventh year as head coach, Butch Haswell knows how to win basketball games. The 1999-2000 season was an example of what he is so successful at doing. Three of his players earned special recognition this season: Eric Wilson and Andre Hairston both made 2nd Team All Conference and Marcell O' Neal made Honorable Mention. 1999-2000 was the fourth out of five years that the Falcons reached the NCAC-Division 2 Tournament.

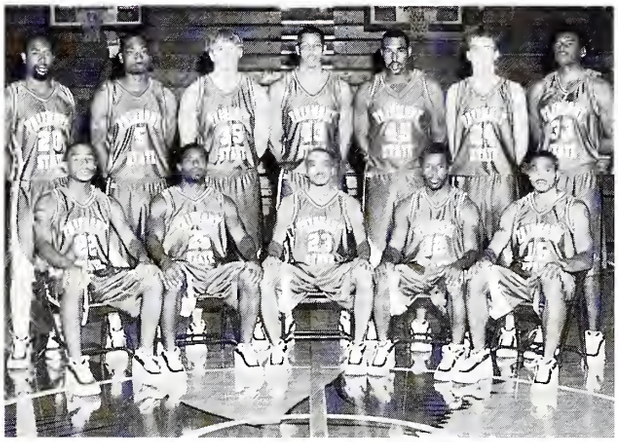
How does Haswell feel about the achievements his team made this year? "Excellent season! We finished second in the league and were ranked in the top 20 at the end of the season." While this was a joyful season, it was also hard on the four seniors: Andre Hairston, Mitchell Martin, Damian Powell and Joe Thomas. These fabulous four are what FSC basketball has always been about... superiority.

PASSING OFF...Andre Hairston, #23, looks for an opening as Damian Powell runs to assist.

PACING THE FLOOR...Head coach Butch Haswell walks the alley as the Falcon bench watches.

HOOP SHOT...
Damian Powell goes for two as his West Liberty opponent tries to block.

CAGERS...
The 1999-2000 Falcon basketball team.



FIGHT FOR IT...Eric Wilson grapples for the ball with a WV Tech player.

LOOKING FOR AN ASSIST...Joe Thomas looks for an open player to catch his pass.

STATE TOURNEY...The Falcon players pour it on at the Charleston Civic Center.

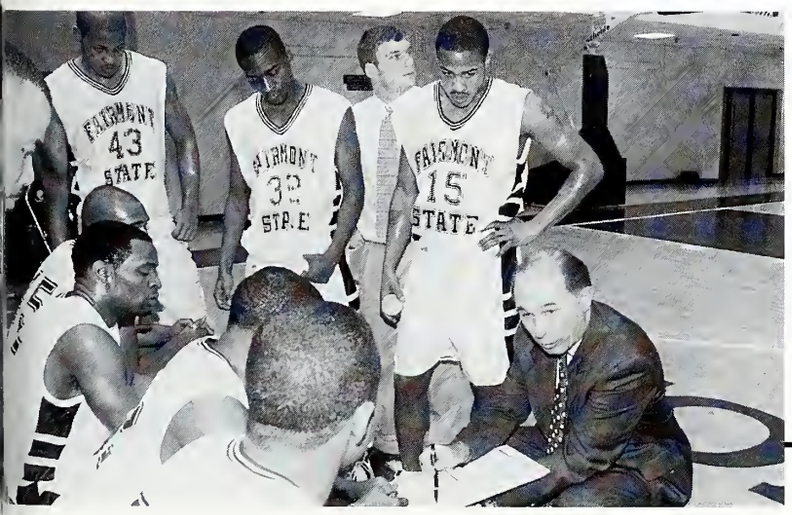
THE AIR UP THERE... Paul McCloud takes to the air as he goes up for a rebound.

THE BIG DANCE... Mitch Martin, #25, is surrounded by opponents in a state tournament game.

Scorebox

Ohio State-Lima	124-71 W
Ohio Valley College	103-70 W
Point Park College	90-55 W
at Salem-Teikyo	75-81 L
at Alderson-Broaddus	65-60 W
Daeman College	68-64 W
at Columbia Union	67-66 W
Mount Olive College	75-69 W
Kentucky State University	92-79 W
at Glenville State	85-66 W
Concord College	90-52 W
at Bluefield State	99-68 W
Charleston	53-69 L
West Virginia Wesleyan	70-61 W
Shepherd College	72-57 W
at West Virginia State	68-54 W
Wheeling Jesuit	71-40 W
at West Liberty State	75-67 W
West Virginia Tech	83-73 W
Davis & Elkins	83-57 W
at WV Wesleyan	65-54 W
Salem-Teikyo	69-64 W
at Shepherd College	93-85 W
West Virginia State	81-57 W
at Wheeling Jesuit	63-34 W
West Liberty State	70-50 W
West Virginia State	77-64 W
Salem-Teikyo	48-65 L
Indiana University	73-79 L

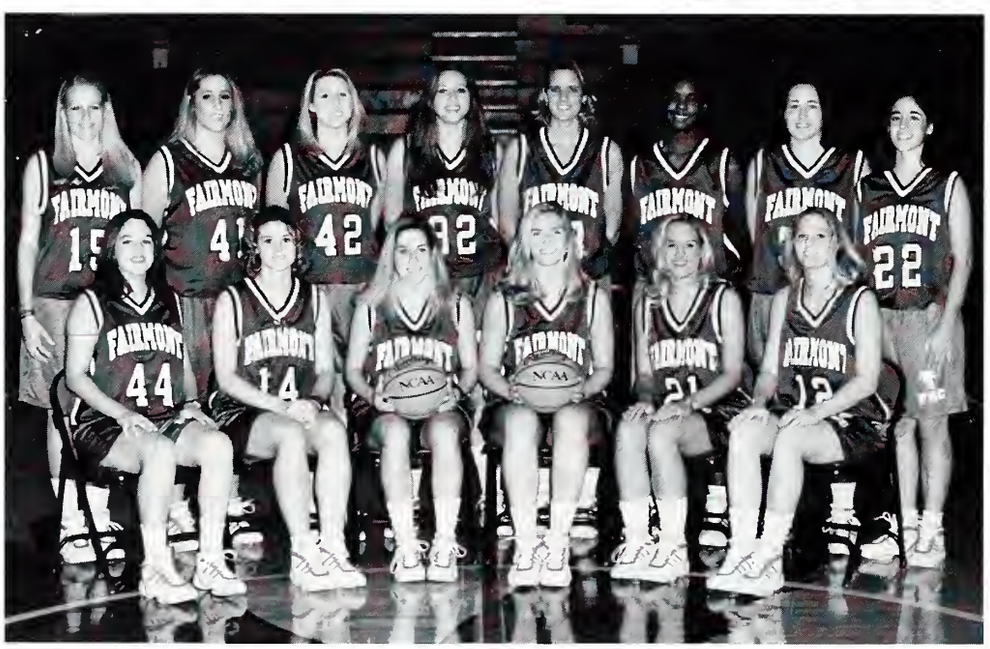
UP, UP, AND AWAY...Falcon player Paul McCloud tosses the ball towards the basket.



BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD..Coach Haswell explains a play during a time-out.

NOTHING BUT NET...
Jennifer Wilson takes a shot from the free throw line. Wilson's shot put the Lady Falcons three points ahead of West Virginia Wesleyan in the first quarter.

DODGING BOBCATS...
Senior forward Kara Morris heads around the WV Wesleyan Bobcat opponent as she drives towards the basket in a Feaster Center game.



TEAMWORK...
The 1999-2000 Lady Falcons basketball team. Row 1: Lynne Gaviglia, Carrie Pollock, Jessica Parker, Kara Morris, Brooke Kosar, Erin McClellan. Row 2: Rachel Francheschini, Jennifer Wilson, Shea MacCallum, Kristin Carper, Tasha Ross, Allyson Merico and Talia Divita.

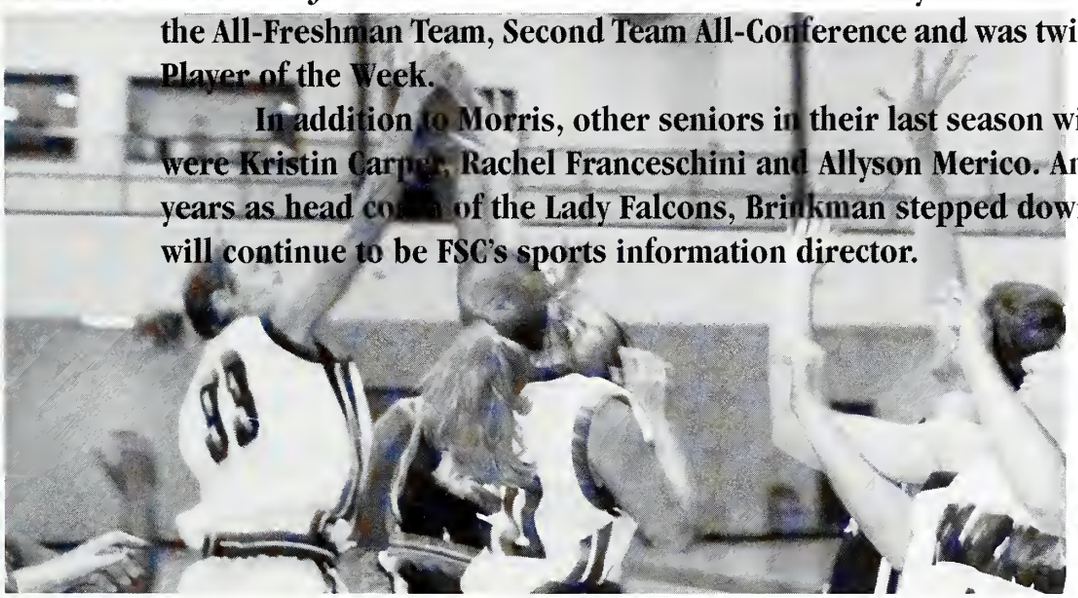
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

HOOP DREAMS...

Cyndi Lauper once sang *Girls Just Wanna Have Fun*. Head coach Jim Brinkman's 1999-2000 Lady Falcons proved that they could have fun and succeed. Playing tough and smart the team posted their best record since the 1996-1997 season, finishing 18-10 this year.

Senior Kara Morris made First Team All-Conference and finished her career with 1775 points, placing her second in scoring in FSC's record book. Morris also finished second in rebounds and fourth in free throw percentage. Freshman Jennifer Wilson was named Freshman Player of the Year, she made the All-Freshman Team, Second Team All-Conference and was twice named WVC Player of the Week.

In addition to Morris, other seniors in their last season with the Falcons were Kristin Carper, Rachel Franceschini and Allyson Merico. And after fifteen years as head coach of the Lady Falcons, Brinkman stepped down, although he will continue to be FSC's sports information director.



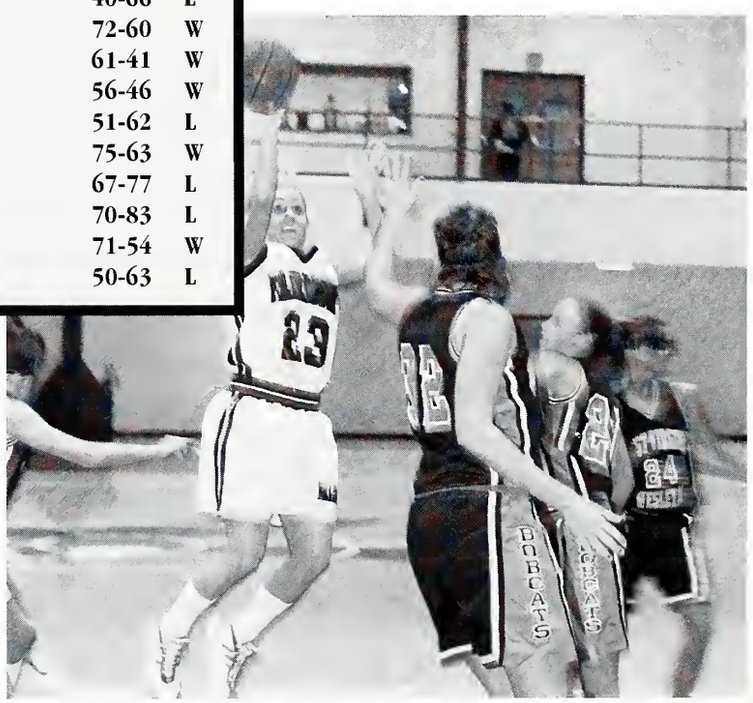
JUMP BALL...
The ball goes up for grabs as the Lady Falcons and the WV Wesleyan Bobcats fight for possession under the Falcon basket.

THE AIR UP THERE...
Lady Falcon forward Tasha Ross looks to the basket as she tries to shoot around her Bobcat opponent.

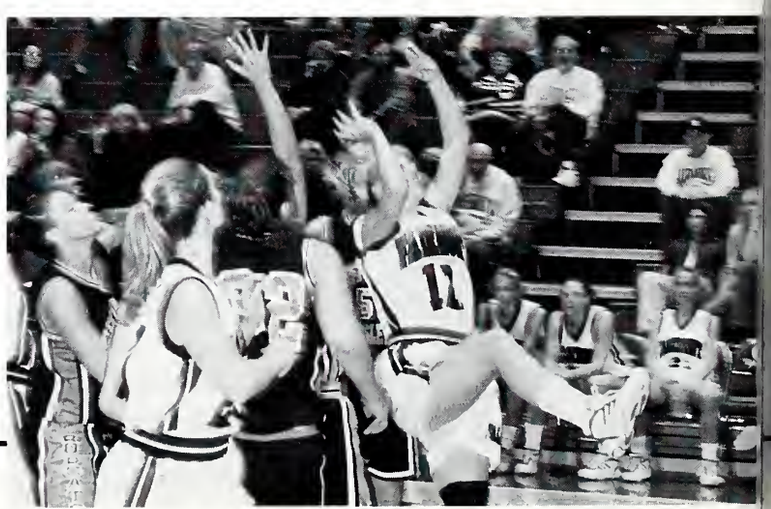
Scorebox

11/19/99	Spelman University	65-41	W
11/20/99	Appalachian Bible College	95-36	W
11/29/99	at Sale-Teikyo	67-55	W
12/4/99	at Alderson-Broaddus	73-67	W
12/9/99	Bethany College	59-56	W
12/11/99	at Ohio Valley College	77-70	W
1/10/00	West Virginia Wesleyan	52-67	L
1/13/00	at Glenville State	62-65	L
1/15/00	Concord College	69-60	W
1/17/00	at Bluefield State	70-45	L
1/20/00	Ohio Valley College	91-70	W
1/22/00	Charleston	77-48	W
1/27/00	Shepherd College	57-54	W
1/29/00	at West Virginia State	61-63	L
1/31/00	Wheeling Jesuit	71-67	W
2/3/00	at West Liberty State	66-78	L
2/5/00	West Virginia Tech	90-51	W
2/7/00	at Pittsburgh-Johnstown	48-68	L
2/10/00	Davis & Elkins	40-66	L
2/12/00	at West Virginia Wesleyan	72-60	W
2/14/00	Carlow College	61-41	W
2/17/00	Salem-Teikyo	56-46	W
2/19/00	at Shepherd College	51-62	L
2/21/00	West Virginia State	75-63	W
2/24/00	at Wheeling Jesuit	67-77	L
2/26/00	West Liberty State	70-83	L
2/28/00	Salem-Teikyo	71-54	W
3/1/00	Wheeling Jesuit	50-63	L

CATTY-CORNERED...
Jennifer Wilson looks for an assist as she is surrounded by the Bobcats in the Feaster Center.



IN THE PAINT...
Jessica Parker takes to the air as she shoots over three Wesleyan opponents.



HANDS UP...
Erin McClellan falls back after taking her shot, while Kara Morris looks to get in on the rebound action.

TWO SWEET...
Jessica Parker shows her form as she puts the ball up for two in a game against the Bobcats of West Virginia Wesleyan.

SHOOT THE MOON...
Kara Morris shoots over her opponent in the first quarter of a home game in the Feaster Center.

Golf Team

FAIRWAY TO HEAVEN...

The men's golf team participated in seven tournaments this fall, and was host to its own Fairmont State College Intercollegiate Invitational at the Green hills country Club.

Head Coach CJ Pagliaro, in his third year at FSC, said this year's team is composed of mostly sophomores and juniors. Pagliaro elucidated, "To be such a young team, obviously the more tournaments and practice, the more experience we'll gain, and from that we will continue to improve."

Members of the 1999-2000 men's golf team include: Chris Pallotta, Josh Halstead, Jimmy Sherrell, Justin Iaquinta, Shawn Brown, Tony Merendino, Ron Dami, Michael Veltri, Anthony Burnside and Brett Derrow. Whether putting or driving, the FSC golf team is always on par.

SINK THAT PUTT... Golfer Brett Derrow concentrates on his putt.

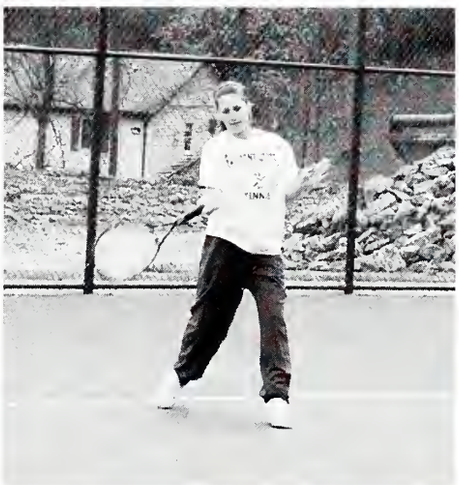
CALL IT A DAY... Chris Pallotta, Jimmy Sherrell Ron Dami and Justin Iaquinta shoulder their bags and head off the green.

LOADING UP...
Ron "Grandpa" Dami loads his clubs into his golf bag after a match at Green Hills.

FOLLOW THROUGH...
Chris Pallotta completes his shot during practice at Green Hills Golf Club.

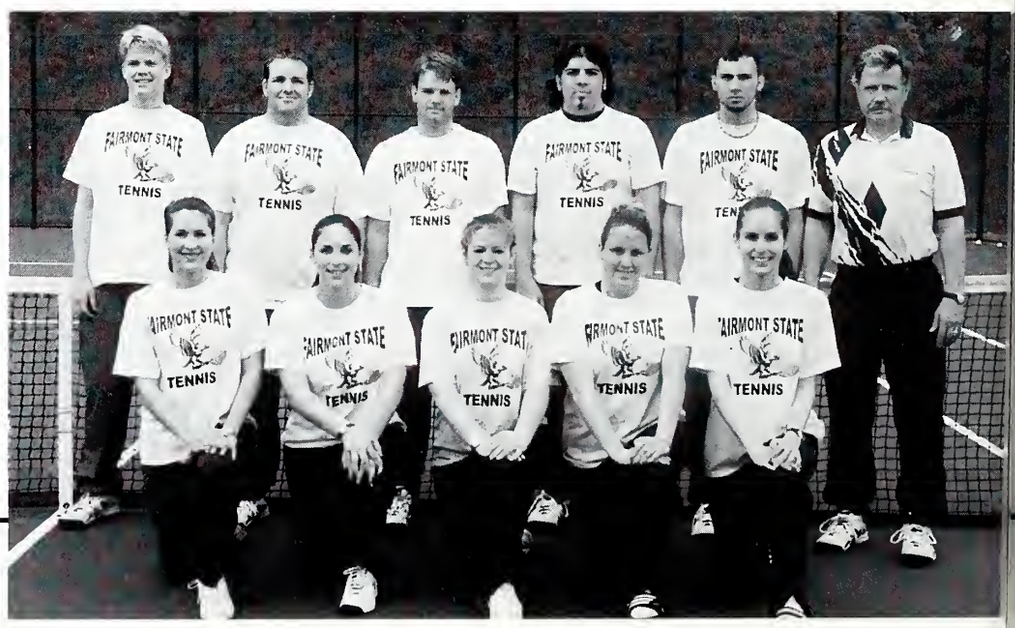
FORE!...
Golfer Ron "Grandpa" Dami swings as Justin Iaquinta, Jimmy Sherrell and Chris Pallotta look on.

FORE!... This Falcon player follows through in her forehand swing.



BASELINE HIT...Being able to play a shot from the baseline is a valuable singles skill.

ORDER ON THE COURT...The 1999-2000 FSC tennis teams and coach Ken Miller.



PRE-GAME SHOW...Players warm up on the new home courts near Rosier Field.

TENNIS

THE DEUCE IS LOOSE...

Coach Kenny Miller keeps busy in two courts. He is a lawyer by day and, in the fall and spring, he is head coach of the men's and women's tennis teams. Although he has coached for a short time, two seasons for the men and one for the women, he sees a lot of potential in the coming years for both teams.

1999-2000 went well for the men. They finished 6-4 in non-conference, and 7-5 overall, placing sixth out of 11 teams. Some team members earned recognition: Coach Miller's son, Alex, was seeded one of the top four players of the conference and received an award for having the highest GPA overall as an athlete at FSC. Craig Leach was within the top four seeds at the conference tournament, and both Matt Carpenter and Steve Robuth were within the top four seeds at the conference tournament at the #2 doubles position.

Although the women's team did not have the success the men's team had (5-8 within the Ccnference and 5-9 overall), 2000 was a season to learn and grow upon. "We had a very young team. They showed the enthusiasm, the morale and the attitude to stay positive. There will be definite improvement as each year comes," said Miller. The tennis team at FSC certainly seems to be in the right racquet.

TAKE THAT!... Players sometimes get a little "out of form" to get the job done.

GO TEAM...Enthusiastic cheers and synchronized movements characterize the squad.

CHEERLEADING

GOT SPIRIT?

Often overshadowed by the teams they support, FSC's 16-member, all-girl cheerleading team is one of our school's biggest sources of pride. They have won the West Virginia Collegiate Cheerleading Competition for the last eight years, in 1995 took first place in nationals and have remained in the top three ever since. The team displays a type of consistency that all coaches dream about but rarely experience.

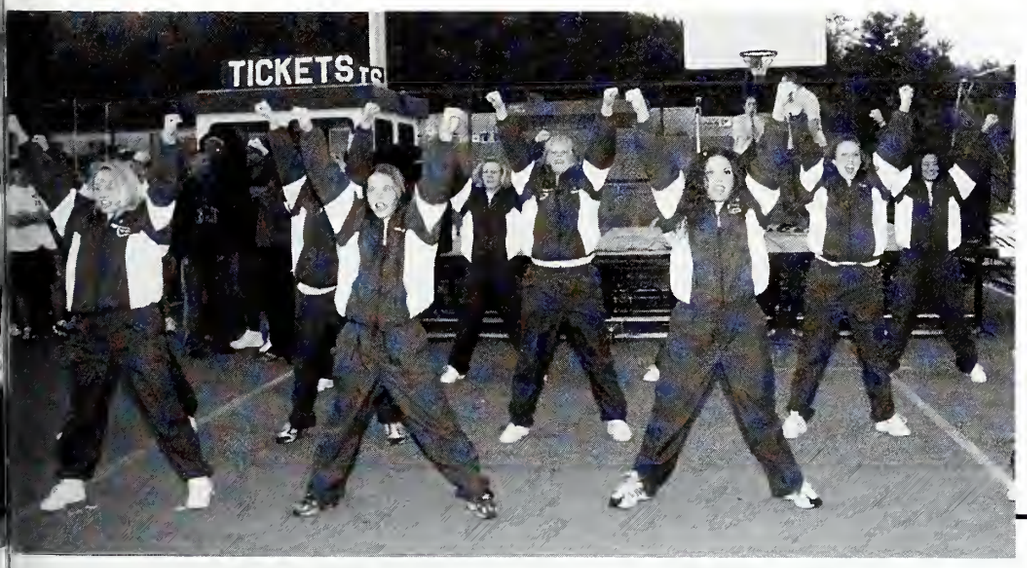
In preparation for the January 6-8 national competition held this year, the cheerleaders practiced their two-minute, eighteen-second routine for an average of two and a half hours a day for four days a week in addition to cheering for football and basketball games. Their national competition routine included partner stunts, pyramids, and basket tosses and tumbling, which includes tucks, back handsprings and full twists.

This year the FSC cheerleaders took third in the national competition. ESPN2 handled the coverage of the National Collegiate Cheerleading Competition. As with any sport, a team is only as good as its coaches. "Our coaches, Kristi Kiefer and Paula McIntire, are the voice of experience that keep us together and make us the successful team that we are," Amanda Neill said.

The team will be competing in other Collegiate Tournaments this year comment about competition; "As a freshman cheerleader, you don't realize how much effort will be involved to perform at such a high level, and if you lose a competition there is always next year. Then, when you are a senior, there is no 'next year.'"

SIDELINE SPIRIT... The FSC cheerleaders watch from the sidelines during the Homecoming halftime show.

FUTURE FALCON...
A young fan shows her school spirit on the sidelines.



WINNING WAYS...
The FSC squad competes at the national championships in Florida.

CROWD APPEAL...
Warmup-clad cheerleaders lead the crowd and the Homecoming thuse.

GETTING READY...Third base player Cheryl Maust gets in position to catch the ball.

BATTER UP!...Catcher Jamala Stone waits for her pitch during the Falcons' spring trip.

TEAM SHOT...Row 1: Eve Sextella, Jamala Stone, Jessalyn Salvucci, Rebecca Kostival, Laura Hershbarger, Sara Tigue, Carrie Williams, Jennifer Nichols, Jessica Nichols. Row 2: Coach Joni Bokanovich, vol. asst. Steve Leach, Denisha Wilson, Kim Reed, Megan Mitchell, Della Moore, April Spears, Riki Anderson, Amber Greenwood, Melissa Filius, Cheryl Maust, asst. Brad Campbell, student asst. Jamie Panuke.

SOFTBALL

A LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN...

The softball field is where you will find Joni Bokanovich teaching women how to smash homeruns and bat a thousand. Her first year as head coach, she has quite a young team with 3 juniors, 7 sophomores and 7 freshmen. This year doubleheaders and tournaments wrapped up their season.

How does Coach Bokanovich like her new head coaching position? "I like it. I really enjoy it. It is definitely a challenge dealing with seventeen personalities. The year 2000 has been an introductory year due to the youth on this team. I could not be more proud because they are aggressive and determined to learn and win. They are a true team. I don't have 17 individual players. I have a team to coach!"

Proof that she is having success is that Becca Kostival was named 'Player of the Week' earlier in the season. Joni Bokanovich and all of the players on her softball team are truly Fairmont State's own 'Angels in the Outfield.'

ON THE BALL...First base player Jessica Nichols and second base player Sarah Tigue get ready for the pitch.

ON THE MOUND...Pitcher Rebecca Kostival lets a pitch fly while shortstop Della Moore gets in position.

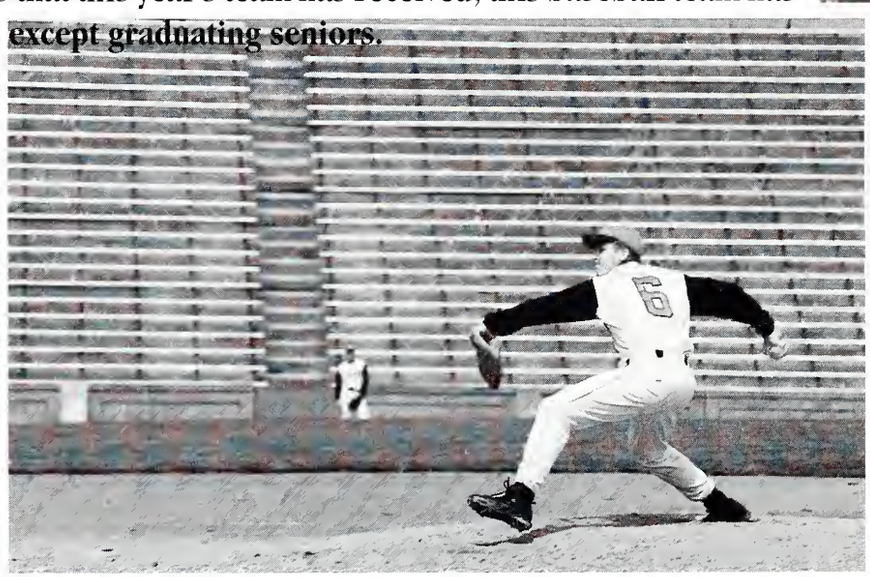
BASEBALL

FOR LOVE OF THE GAME...

Head coach Raymond Bonnett and assistant coach Rick Wade spend time in the spring coaching the men's baseball team. Our 'desperados of the diamond' are grand-slamming their way to a title without any fouls or strikes.

The team is led by 3 seniors: Vinny Greany, Jason Sleeth and David Choinere. Coach Wade praised the team by saying, " They have played better as each game progresses. Overall, I am very pleased."

Their winning record is not the only successful thing they have. A few of the young 'sultans of swat' have received some special recognition: J. Wrubleski was named 'Player of the Week' earlier in the season and freshman J. R. Derito was 'Pitcher of the Week' once this season. With all of the accolades that this year's team has received, this baseball team has nothing to lose except graduating seniors.

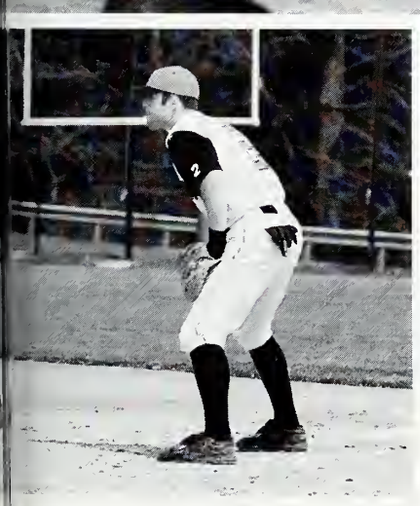


THE WINDUP... Freshman pitcher Derek Fritz gets ready to hurl the ball over the plate.

WATCHING THE RUNNER... Junior infielder Mike Meador watches the WV Tech runner lead off base.

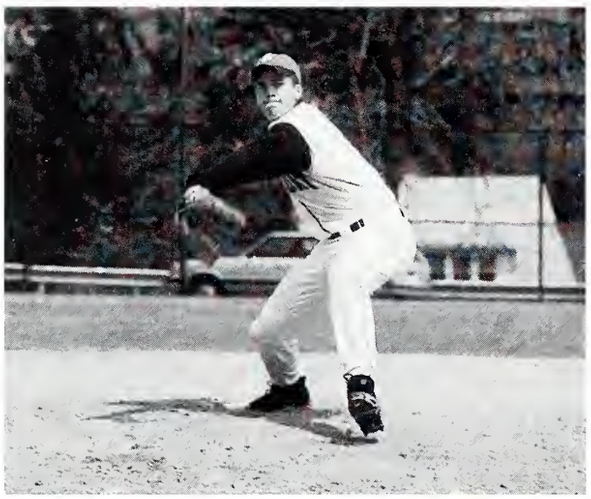
STRIKE ONE!...The Falcon pitcher warms up by sending the ball over the plate to catcher Nick Shearer.

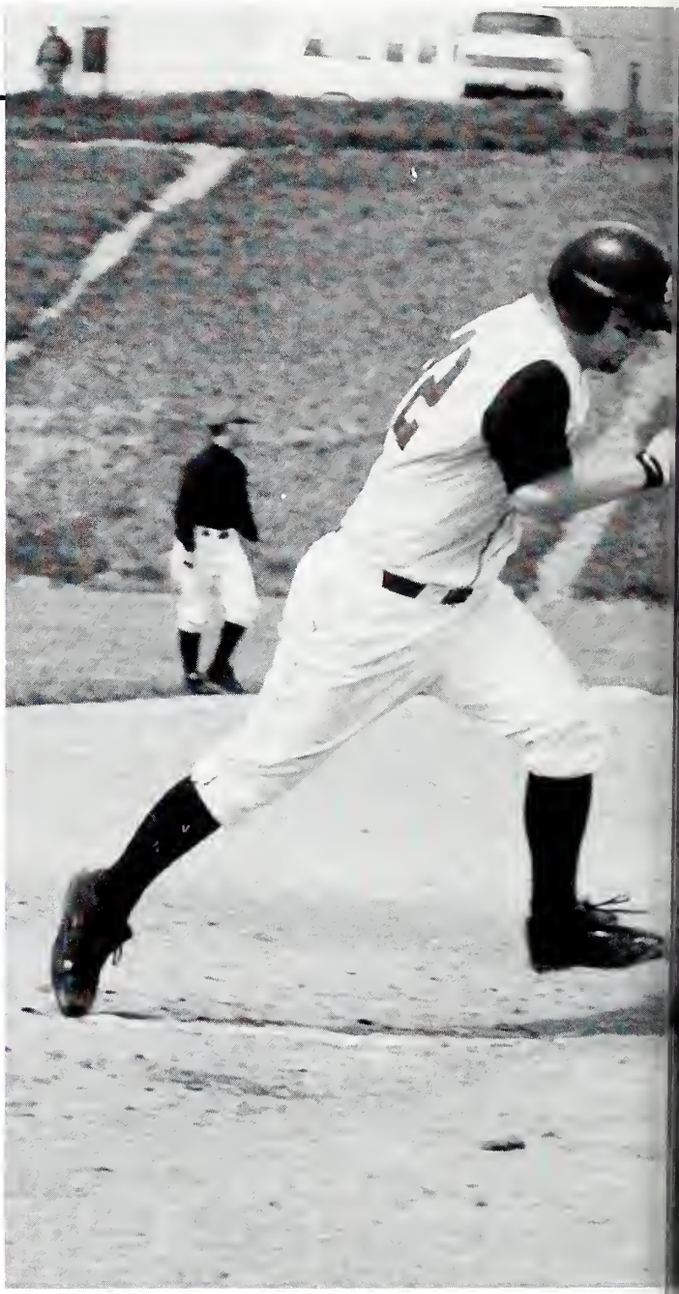
STRATEGY SESSION...The first base coach prepares the runner for his next move.



OUTTA HERE...Junior catcher Nick Shearer slugs one toward the outfield in a game at Rosier Field.

POWER PITCH...
The Falcon pitcher puts his power behind the ball as he gets ready to hurl it at the batter.





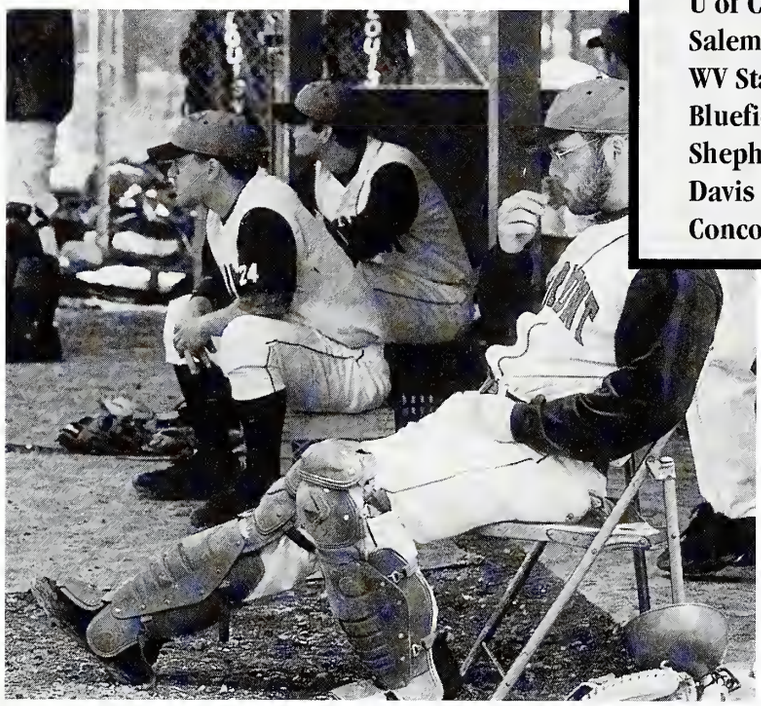
SWINGING FOR THE FENCE...Junior outfielder Jason Hart takes a cut at the ball in a home game at Rosier Field.

HEADING FOR HOME...
A Falcon runner rounds third base and heads for home plate as the base coach holds the runner on second.

ZACK ATTACK... Freshman infielder Zack Travinski heads for first base after hitting the ball past the second baseman at Rosier Field.

SCOREBOX

Anderson College	7-10	L
Lander University	3-13	L
USC-Aiken	2-13	L
USC-Aiken	6-11	L
Newberry	3-8, 3,6	L, L
Augusta State	3-6	L
Paine College	13-9	W
Gannon University	12-4, 26-0	W, W
Edinboro University	8-6, 8-2	W, W
West Liberty	4-5, 4-3	L, W
Indiana PA University	10-9, 14-12	W, W
WV Wesleyan	2-1, 6-4	W, W
Concord College	9-10, 1-7	L, L
Alderson-Broaddus	13-6, 3-4	W, L
WVU-Tech	6-5, 9-2	L, W
U of Charleston	8-6, 5-15	W, L
Salem-Teikyo	4-1, 3-2	W, W
WV State	2-5, 3-6	L, L
Bluefield State	13-5, 9-3	W, W
Shepherd College	2-7, 8-7	L, W
Davis & Elkins	4-5, 4-7	L, L
Concord College	9-10	L



CATCHING A BREAK... One of the two FSC catchers rests in the dugout while the Falcons take their turn at the plate.

TO STEAL OR NOT TO STEAL? Leading off second base, the Falcon runner tries to lure the pitcher into trying for the out.

UPSY DAISY...Falcon rugby players lift a teammate to toss the ball over the opponents in an on-campus match.

WHO'S THAT GUY?...Members of the FSC rugby club show some rough and ready attitude by painting their faces before a match.

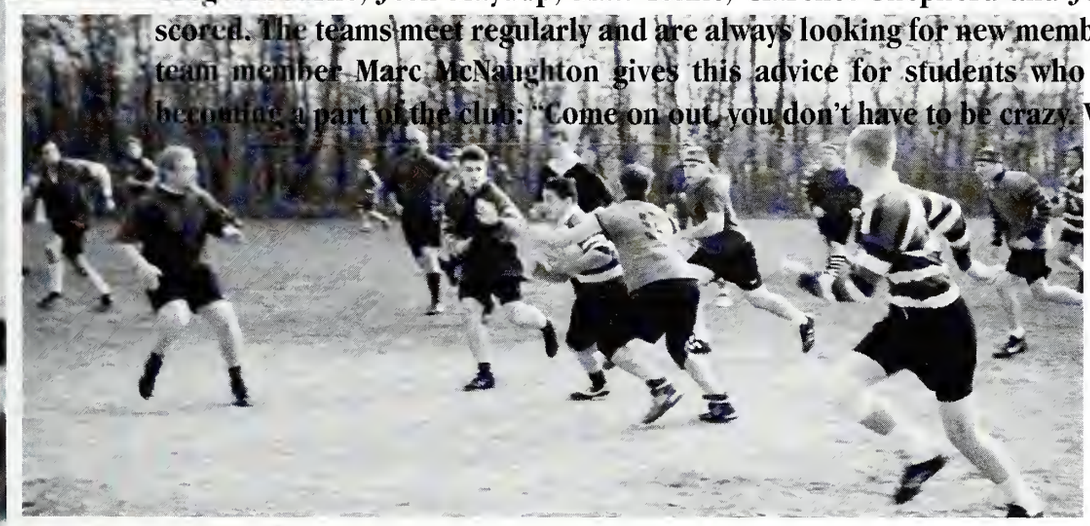
AIR TOSS...Two rugby club members hoist a third player as he tosses the ball to a teammate.

RUGBY

LAYING THE SMACKDOWN...

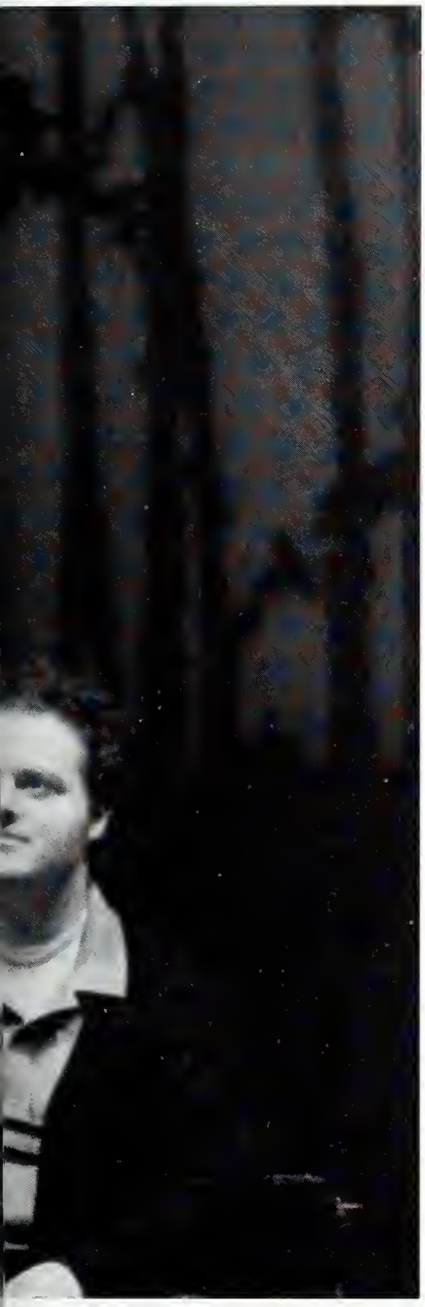
Rugby requires stamina, fitness and skills that often seem superhuman. Yet once one gets past the initial bewilderment, it is addictive. FSC hosts both men's and women's rugby teams, though outside of college communities the sport is scarcely available to Americans. In West Virginia there are only four collegiate teams, WVU, Marshall University, Salem Teikyo University, and FSC. Rugby is a club because it is not considered a varsity sport. This is consistent with all of the 32 rugby clubs in the same conference of play as FSC's. The club is not funded by FSC so they have several fundraisers in order to travel to away tournaments.

A big victory this year for the Chickenhawks was when they defeated arch rivals Salem-Teikyo in a 29-24 win. Dubbed the Halloween Bowl, many players wore face paint during the game. The Chickenhawks scored a huge victory for the club. During the game, Greg [illegible]urne, Josh Maydup, Matt Yoklic, Clarence Shepherd and John "Rudy" Saxon scored. The teams meet regularly and are always looking for new members. Chickenhawk team member Marc McNaughton gives this advice for students who are interested in becoming a part of the club: "Come on out, you don't have to be crazy. We can teach you."



GOIN' DOWN...Fairmont State rugby players crowd around the opponent in an effort to tackle the ball carrier or steal the ball.

SCRAMBLED RUGGS...FSC ruggers scramble to catch the ball carrier. Rugby is one of the roughest sports on campus.



Organizations

Making Changes

WITHOUT A CROWD, one's not so loud. Change starts with one person's idea, but it takes a group of dedicated people to get gears turning and really get things in motion. Organizations are plentiful here at FSC; each has their own agenda of what they want to accomplish and in what way they should contribute to the advancement of the college. Each organization is also significant in its own right to its members and the academic programs in which they are involved.

Some groups are social and some are academic, some groups are large and some are small, but they all reflect the attitudes and ideals of the students on campus. Many of the events on campus that some students may take for granted would never have materialized if it were not for the sponsorship and hard work of Fairmont State organizations.

Student organizations are a very essential component to any college's long-term success. Their activities and events are like crucial pillars hoisting high the student body. And although a picture cannot possibly encapsulate the extent to which these organizations' dedicated efforts are so valuable; a picture can provide a glimpse into their world and say a lot without saying a thing.

STAND

Students Taking Action in Nature's Defense

MOUNTAIN PARTY...Hopeful WV gubernatorial candidate Denise Giardina is interviewed by *Columns* editor Misty Poe.

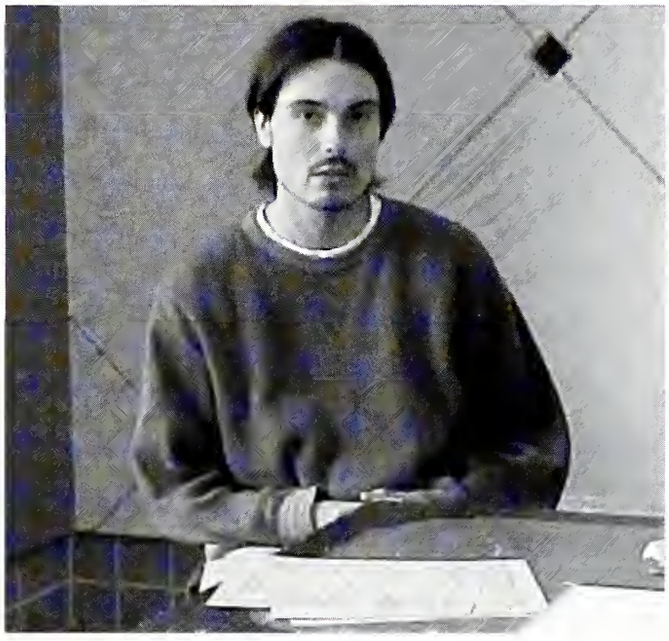
The environmental group Students Taking Action in Nature's Defense (STAND) was founded, according to president Clay Robie, "to increase environmental awareness throughout campus." STAND has worked to improve the environment, organizing ecology projects and volunteering to clean up rivers and streams in the local area. STAND also sponsored Environmental Awareness Day in November 1999 and Earth Day activities on campus in April 2000.

The group also sponsors an aluminum can-recycling program on campus, and funds its activities through fundraisers such as bake sales. Perhaps one of the major STAND projects of the year was their voter registration drive in November in conjunction with a campus visit from Mountain Party gubernatorial candidate Denise Giardina.

The STAND goal for 1999-2000 was, in Robie's words, "to take on smaller tasks so we can aid future groups in accomplishing larger tasks."

THE GREAT OUTDOORS...Members relax at a waterfall after a fall clean-up effort.

THE CANDIDATE SPEAKS...Mountain Party candidate and WV author Denise Giardina visited campus in the fall as part of her campaign.



YOUR VOTE COUNTS...STAND sponsored a voter registration drive in November 1999 in the Education Building lobby.

CLEAN WATER...STAND members held clean-up days at area streams in their efforts to improve the environment.

FSC Honors Program

DICKENS SLEPT HERE...Tour leaders Angela Schwer and J. Robert Baker in the doorway of the Dickens House.

Over Spring Break 2000, a group of Honors students visited London, England. Ten students, accompanied by professors J. Robert Baker and Angela Schwer, made the voyage. From the very beginning the group had to grow accustomed to the different environment. At some points during the trip there were over four or five different languages being spoken at once, none of which were English.

The group barely had any time to relax, because one week is not enough to see all the sights that London has to offer. A typical day on the trip would consist of breakfast at 7:30, a visit to a museum or art gallery from 10:00 -12:30, then lunch. By 2:00 the group was off to see some more sights. The days ended with dinner, usually at a traditional British pub.

Members of the Honors Program thought that the trip was an enlightening cultural experience. In addition to the museums and galleries, the group saw three plays in some of London's best theatres. Despite all of the different customs of London the people were very friendly to the FSC tourists, and the group plans to take other trips in the future.

Besides visiting London, Baker was named director of the FSC Honors Program. He replaced Anthony Brizendine who took on additional duties in the School of Technology.

SHAKESPEARE, ANYONE?... Misty Poe and Sarah Persinger in the Globe Theatre.

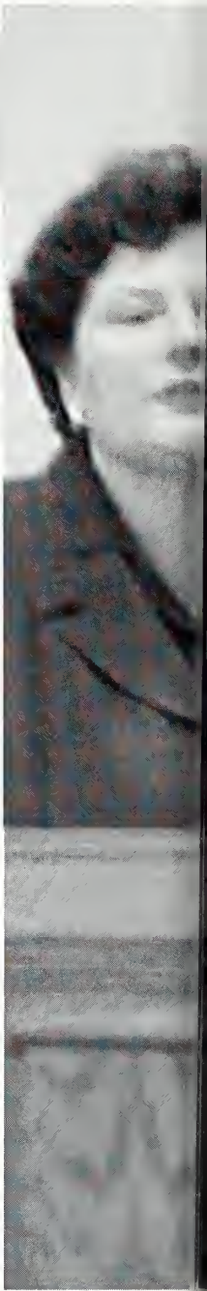
NELSON'S MONUMENT...
The students gather for a group shot at Trafalgar Square.

THE TOWER GUARD...
Misty Poe with a Royal Guard outside the Tower of London.

A PINT OF ALE...
The group ate at many traditional British pubs.

Presidential Farewell

FSC President Dudley-Eshbach Moves On



In the Fireside Room on a Thursday morning, April 13, FSC President Janet Dudley-Eshbach announced her departure for Salisbury State University. She had received an invitation to interview in Mid-March but did not make her final decision until Tuesday, April 11. Clearly, the choice weighed heavily on her mind, and she had much to consider in making the move.

"I am leaving because of the parking problem," Dudley-Eshbach said jokingly in reference to an excuse made by a latecomer. In fact, her reasons for going are primarily of a personal nature. She and her husband are both natives of Maryland, with strong family ties in the area. President Dudley-Eshbach is looking to the future, beyond a simple career move, and eyeing the possibility of retirement there.

Solemnly referring to her departue from Fairmont, she stated, "What I will miss most are the people. My family and I leave with mixed emotions. We have come to consider Fairmont home, and we are grateful for the support and goodwill we have enjoyed." Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs Dr. Frederick Fidura was named interim president.

FIRESIDE CHAT...Members of the campus community, including photographer John Piscitelli, attended a press conference in the Fireside Room.

FINAL FAREWELL...President Janet Dudley-Eshbach announces her departure after three years at the helm.

MAKING INTRODUCTIONS...Public relations director Sarah Lowther Hensley introduces the president at the press conference.

A RAPT AUDIENCE...FSC professor Greg Hinton listens to the president give her farewells to the campus.

STUDENT NEWS...President Dudley-Eshbach talks to *Columns* reporter Drew Altizer following her announcement in the Fireside Room of the Turley Center.

SCJ

Society for Collegiate Journalists

STAFF SALUTE... *Whetstone* editors Angela Rehbein, Marsha Kirk and Gabriel Lee recognized staff members at the Student Publications spring banquet.

The FSC chapter of the national journalism honorary, the Society for Collegiate Journalists, celebrated 51 years on campus with several projects, national awards and a spring induction ceremony.

SCJ worked with the local chapter of the American Cancer Society to write, design and produce their driver division newsletter, *Freewheeler*. SCJ president Misty Poe oversaw this project as part of her journalism internship for the 1999-2000 academic year. SCJ also contributed to the November book drive and the Collect-a-Can project for local food pantries.

In March, the SCJ national competition award winners were announced at the annual convention in New York City, and FSC came away with nine awards. *The Columns*, FSC's student newspaper, swept the cartoon strips and panels category, with Jason Roach taking first and second place and guest cartoonist Ty Poe taking third place. The *Mound* was awarded first place for concept of the book, second place in the Terry Vander Hayden Coverage of the Year category, second place for reporting in words, honorable mention for photography, honorable mention for layout, design and graphics, and honorable mention in the small schools overall excellence category.

"SCJ finished the year with an induction at the Student Publications Spring Banquet in May. New members inducted by Poe and vice-president Brian Lauffer were Drew Altizer, Chris Moyer, James Phillips, Chris Prezioso, Jason Roach and Kelly Rohrbough. Advisor Beth Slusser said, "It was a year of excellence for SCJ, and the members have truly earned the national recognition both for themselves and for FSC."

YEAR END WRAP-UP... Language & Literature chairman Dr. Martin Bond and Student Publications advisor Beth Slusser pose after the spring banquet and Society for Collegiate Journalists induction.

WHETTING THEIR WHISTLE... ***Whetstone*** **advisor Mary Stewart applauds editors and staff members of the art and literary journal during the SCJ banquet.**

MERITING AN AWARD... Student Publications advisor Beth Slusser congratulates Mound editor Brian Lauffer on his selection as one of two Society for Collegiate Journalists Certificate of Merit winners.

INDUCTION CONDUCTION... Columns editor and SCJ president Misty Poe conducts the induction of Chris Prezioso, James Phillips, Kelly Rohrbough and Drew Altizer into the journalism honorary.

GCA
Graphic Communications Association

Nestled in a corner in the bottom of Wallman Hall, there is a quiet community of graphics students exploring the inner workings of today's latest computer software. Their organization, the Graphic Communications Association, encompasses all graphics students who are instantly inducted when they declare graphics as their major. In the past, fundraisers, special events and field trips have been organized by dedicated students involved in the GCA.

Program Coordinator of Graphics Technology and associate professor Larry Lauffer advises the group and helps out with meetings and other odds and ends. Macintosh G3 computer workstations dominate the student lab as they are the choice for graphics professionals, and even speedier G4 workstations are included in future plans for the lab. Although the software and hardware evolves exponentially faster every day, the GCA displays their techno-savvy by keeping current with the latest techniques and equipment.

MORE POWER!... Graphics students do most of their lab work on Mac G3 computers.

PROJECT TIME... A graphics student works on a project in one of the labs in Wallman Hall.

GET IT IN WRITING...
Two graphics students record information for a tech class.

GRAPHICS GUYS...
GCA members Bernie Faust and Brian Lauffer pose in the library.

HOME AWAY FROM HOME...
Most graphics students spend a lot of time in the computer labs, working on projects and their computer skills.

XA
Chi Alpha

FRIENDSHIP...Chi Alpha members Christie Miller and Kelly Barr pose with a yellow Camaro.

Chi Alpha, a Christian organization, held "Going Public II" on March 1-3 at FSC. "Going Public II" was a follow-up from last year's "Going Public."

This year XA held rallies in MMA with speaker Greg Hubbard, who emphasized that "Going Public" is a time when believers in Jesus Christ take a stand and proclaim the Gospel.

The final rally for "Going Public II" was held in the Turley Center. XA met on Thursdays at Trinity Assembly of God in White Hall. The meetings were a time of food and fellowship, with music by the band "David's Song," and a message by Pastor Mike Cooper.

GOOD SOUNDS...Matt Saville enjoys the music of "David's Song" after a Chi Alpha meeting.

ALL SMILES... Members enjoyed the fellowship before Chi Alpha meetings at Trinity Assembly of God.

HOSTESS...Chi Alpha member Amanda Kendrick hosted a wedding shower at her home for a Chi Alpha member.

WEDDING SHOWER...Christina Marino, Erika Mesto and Courtney Barnes attended a party for another Chi Alpha member.

FSC Marching Band

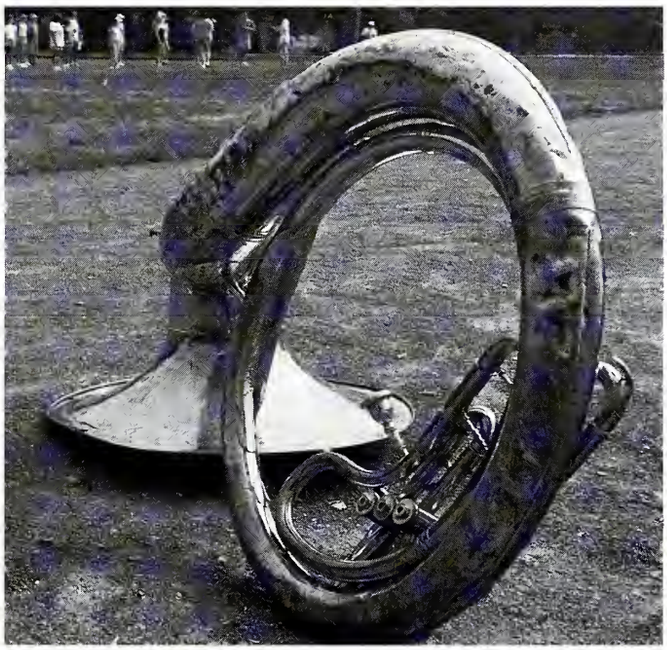
KEEPING TIME... Field practice begins in early summer, as the band prepares their halftime show for football season.

The FSC band department had a very active year. Aside from consecutively performing at FSC football games and concerts, the band recruited new members. They took a spring tour of high schools around the state in order to make future college students aware of the quality band instruction at FSC. Besides touring schools, the department sends letters and tapes to high school students who have band experience. Next year the band expects to be much larger: There will be several returning members and the recruitment procedures are sure to attract several new members. The marching band stops performing at the end of fall, when the members begin their concert season.

Dr. Mark Aldrich became the director of bands in the fall of 1999. Aldrich earned a bachelor's of music from Keene State College in New Hampshire and a master's of music from the University of Massachusetts. Before his appointment at FSC he served as director of bands at Frostburg State University in Maryland. The FSC band brings pride to the campus and Aldrich plans to continue the tradition of exceptional performances.

ON THE LINE... Band members line up along a yard marker on Rosier Field as they begin learning the movements of their fall field show.

MARCH MADNESS...
The Falcon marching band's performance was the highlight of halftime at every home football game.



SOLITARY SOUSA...
A lone sousaphone waits in the parking lot as band members rehearse their field show without instruments.

AND THE BAND PLAYED ON...
Members of the Falcon marching band dressed in the jazzy style of the Blues Brothers for the Homecoming halftime show.

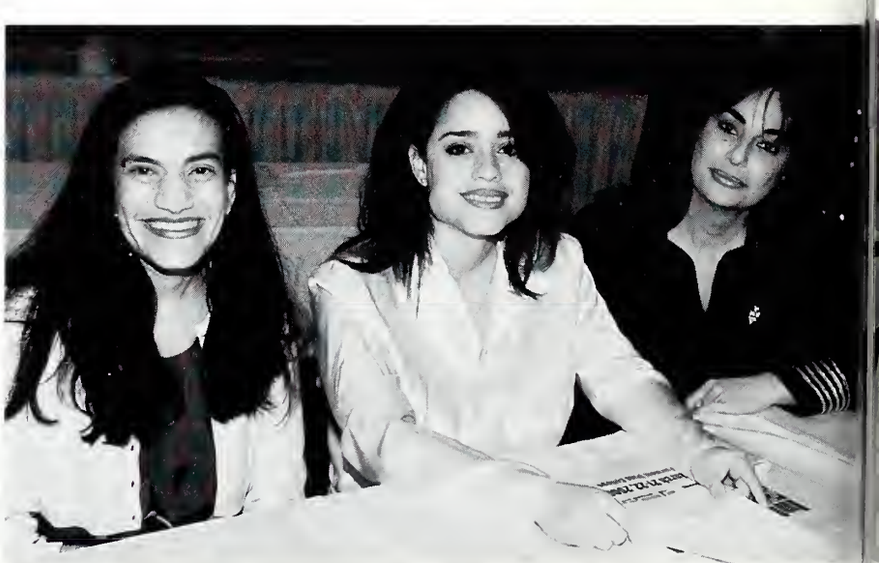
FSC
International Education

THE FUTURE... A young guest at the International Celebration stops for a drink.

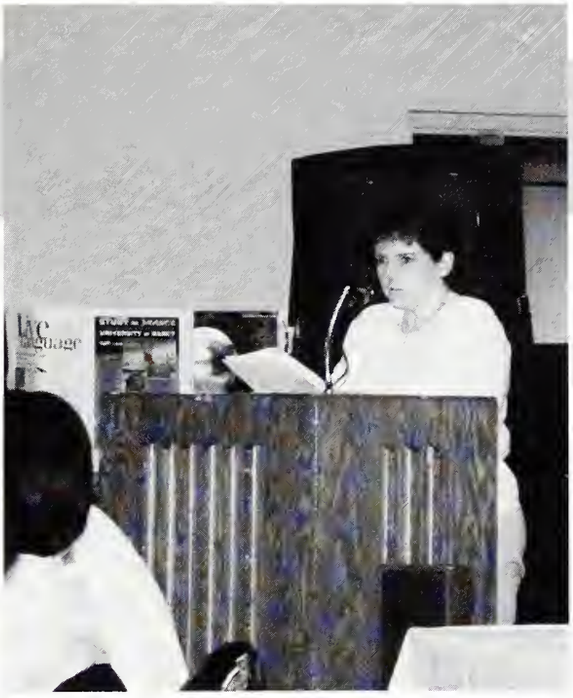
The International Education Celebration 2000, under the direction of coordinator Dr. Samuel Porrata, was held on the FSC campus March 21-22. The celebration started with a welcoming reception in the Fireside Room, which included a display of art exhibits from around the world.

After the reception a round-table discussion took place involving students who have studied abroad. It was a lively and educational discussion. The first day of the celebration ended with a viewing of the international hit, *Life is Beautiful.*

The second day of the celebration began with the International Video Series in MMB. It was followed by a reception with music and exhibits. The celebration finished with an International Banquet that featured a speaker on international adoption. The International Celebration 2000 succeeded in making people more aware of the many cultures of the world.



CELEBRATION... Three guests enjoy the international banquet and speakers.



ADOPT AN ANGEL...
The banquet keynote speaker talks about international adoption.

EDUCATION WITHOUT BORDERS...
Dr. Samuel Porrata presents information on international education at FSC.

A WARM WELCOME...
Dr. Fred Fidura greets guests at the international banquet in the Turley Center.

TBI

Tau Beta Iota

RING MY BELL... Painting the bell on East Campus Drive is a tradition among the fraternities and sororities.

HANGIN' WITH COOPER'S ROCK... Several TBI members enjoyed an outing at Cooper's Rock in Monongalia County.

SMOKER'S LOUNGE... TBI members gathered at the annual smoker.

QUEEN'S ESCORT... TBI member Ryan Collins escorted Homecoming queen candidate Jessica Stemple during halftime of the FSC-Glenville football game.

SCHOOL TIES... After a formal event, TBI members loosen their ties and relax.

STRIKE A POSE... TBI members and their dates pose on the dance floor during the winter formal.

ΑΦΩ
Alpha Phi Omega

SHAKE N' BAKE... Alpha Phi Omega members spell out "APO" during their spring Bake-Off.

ALPHA INDUCTION... APO held its induction ceremony with members Tracey Craddock, Sarah Crawford, Irene O'Neill, Chris Singer, Heather McAbee, Mark Rahr, Carrie Smith and Jolean Haught.

FLOATING AWAY... Posing with the APO Homecoming float are Sarah Crawford, Irene O'Neill, Deban Cunningham and Carrie Smith.

PLEDGING ALLEGIANCE... The 1999 APO pledge class included Tracey Craddock, Deban Cunningham, Irene O'Neill, Sarah Crawford and Chris Singer.

FLOAT FUN... Members building the float: Heather McAbee, Mark Rahr, Chris Singer, Sarah Crawford, Deban Cunningham, Tracey Craddock and Carrie Smith.

PUTTING THE "FUN" IN FUNDRAISER... APO held a bake sale fundraiser in the lobby of the Nickel. Members participating included Carrie Smith, Heather McAbee, Mark Rahr, Deban Cunningham and Chris Singer.

ΑΣΤ

Alpha Sigma Tau

ALPHA TRIO...Members Jacqueline Durig, Amanda Weiss and Erin Gannon share a hug.

LEAP DAY 2000 PARTY...Front: Amanda Weiss. Row 2: Megan Shreve, Erin Gannon, Amy Truman, Amber Griffith, Marcie Long, Tonya Skeen. Row 3: Christy Lambert, Jennifer Mercier, Jessica Pegg, Rachel Carry, Amanda Bronson, Glenda Brooks.

TKE ELIMINATION DINNER...Row 1: Erin Gannon, Jacqueline Durig, Amanda Weiss, Jennie Miller. Row 2: Tracy Fowler, Tonya Skeen, Christy Lambert, Amy Truman, Glenda Brooks, Jessica Pegg, Megan Shreve.

FRIENDS...Row 1: Glenda Brooks, Amy Truman, Natasha Sutton, Jennifer Mercier, Marcie Long, Jacqueline Duriga, Amanda Weiss. Row 2: Jessica Pegg, Jennie Miller, Amanda Bronson, Erin Gannon, Tracy Fowler.

GIRLS RULE...Alpha Sigma Tau members Amber Griffith, Jennifer Mercier, Marcie Long, Amanda Bronson and Amanda Weiss gather for a February picture.

ON THE ROAD...The Alpha Sigma Tau 1999 Homecoming float won third place in the annual parade.

ΔZ

Delta Zeta

WHITE ROSE SWEETHEARTS... Lora Brown and Bronwyn Rinehart attend the Sigma Tau Gamma formal at Wisp Resort.

ALL DRESSED UP... DZs attended the Homecoming dance at Westchester.

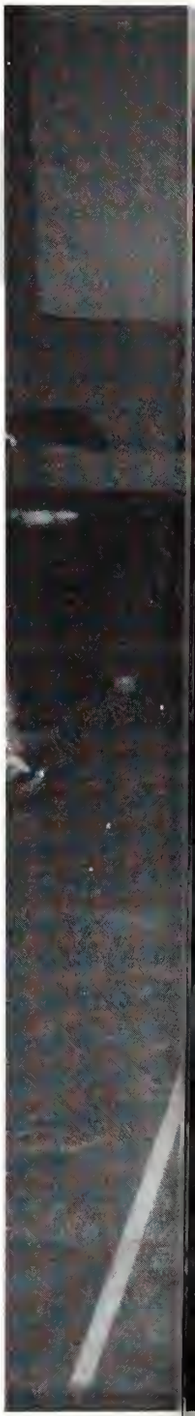
SISTERS AT HEART... Three DZ members enjoy the Homecoming game festivities.

TAKING NOTES... Lora Brown talks to a new pledge at the Booth Fair on the Quad.

SISTERS... Delta Zeta members gather to talk and hang out.

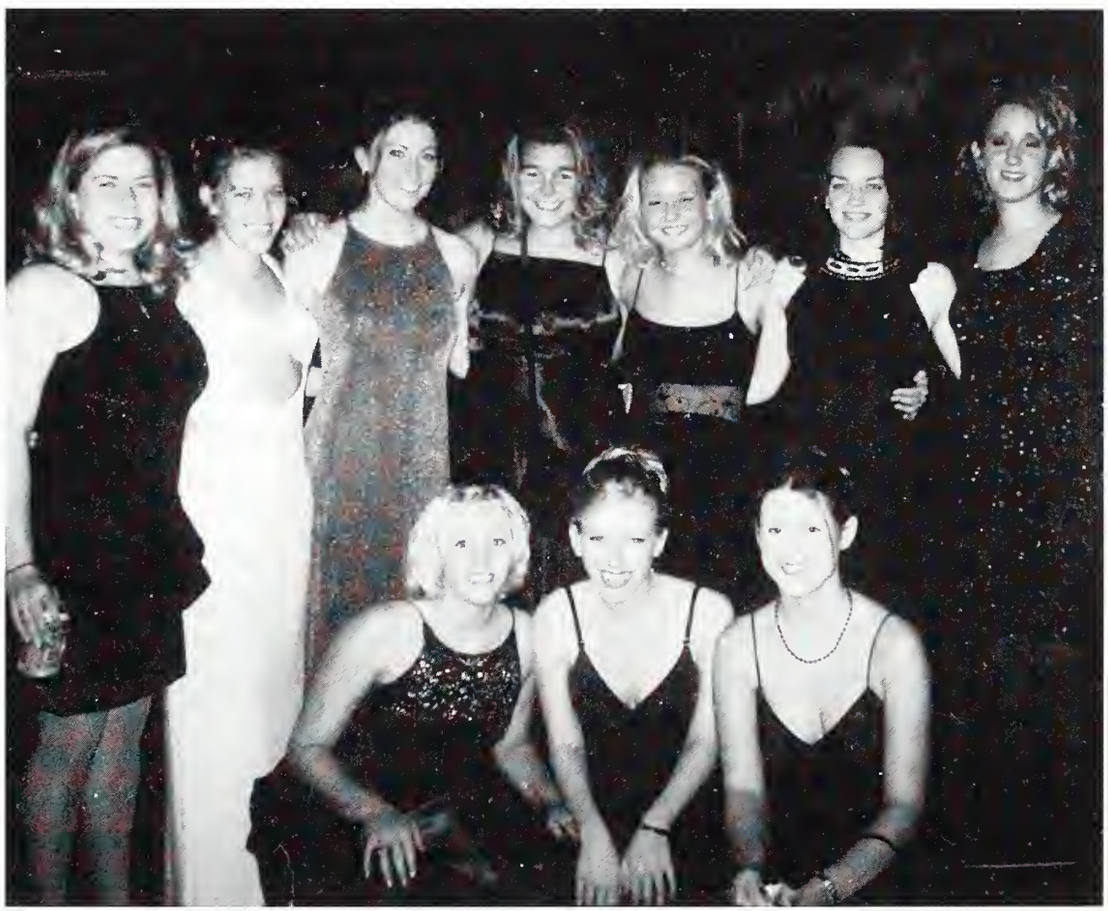
BOOTH FAIR... Delta Zeta members participated in the fall Booth Fair on the Quad.

Greek Life



HOE DOWN...Heather Palmer and Stephanie Loy get down on the farm at the annual Mix-Off.

ALL DRESSED UP...Sorority members dress up for a night out at the 1999 Homecoming dance at Westchester Village.



MAKE ME OVER...Delta Xi Omicron members Janet Frohnapfel and Ashley Travis enjoy a make-over party.

HOMECOMIG SPIRIT...Fraternity and sorority members support the FSC athletic teams by cheering them on from the sidelines.

ALPHA SIGMA TAU...Members often gather throughout the year for socializing and relaxing after classes.

TEAM SUPPORT...These Alpha Sigma Tau members participate in the 1999 Homecoming thuse at Rosier Field.

ΣΠ

Sigma Pi

MEMBER PRIDE... Two Sigma Pi members enjoy a party during Homecoming week.

IN STYLE... Queen candidate Megan Christopher rides in the Homecoming parade.

HOMECOMING... Megan Christopher and escort Kevin Honeycutt get ready for halftime.

HALFTIME... King candidate Keith Cox and escort Sharon Kridle pose at Rosier Field.

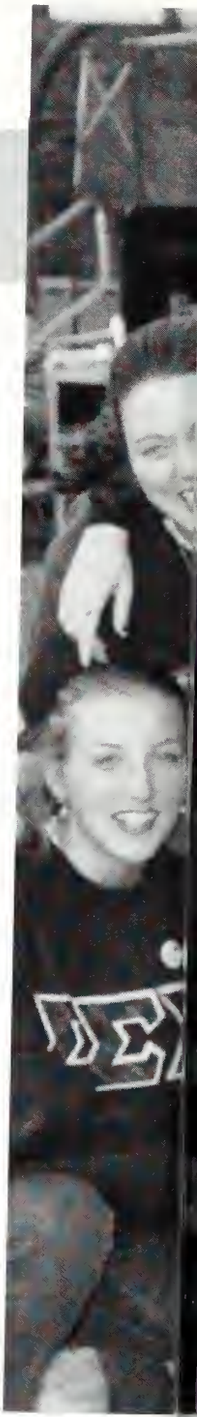
TOGA! TOGA!... Sigma Pi created an *Animal House* float for the Homecoming Parade.

FESTIVE FUN... Sig Pi member Kevin Honeycutt and Marci Johnson attend a Homecoming party.

ΣΣΣ

Sigma Sigma Sigma

BY THE LETTER... Members show pride by wearing their insignias to a home football game.



FOUNDER'S DAY... Tri-Sigma members pose during the 1999 Founder's Day dinner.

SUMMER DAYS... Sigma members met by the Nickel for lemon icies and a local band.

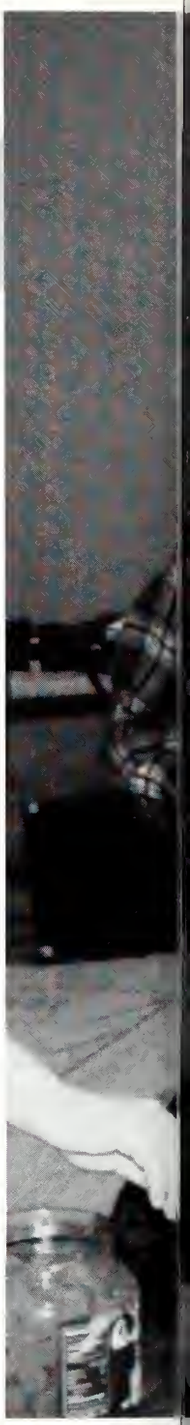
NEW FACES...
New Sigma members pose for a picture during Spring Rush Week.

SET SAIL...
The Sigmas participated in the Collect-a-Can food drive. The food was donated to local charities.

GATHERING OF FRIENDS...
Sigma Sigma Sigma members hang out before a sorority meeting.

ΔΞO

Delta Xi Omicron



MIX IT UP... Delta Xi Omicron member Jessica Stemple mixes Delta's entry in the annual Mix-Off.

AND THE WINNER IS...Delta Xi Omicron members gather for the Mix-Off judging.

STARRY NIGHT... DXO member Marcie Robinson and her date enjoy the Homecoming dance.

THERE SHE IS... Queen candidate Jessica Stemple and escort Ryan Collins get ready for the halftime coronation.

AVON CALLING... Stephanie Loi and Heather Palmer participated in the pledge make-over party.

HOWDY PARDNER...Mix-Off participants dressed in hoedown style for the fall event.

TKE

Tau Kappa Epsilon

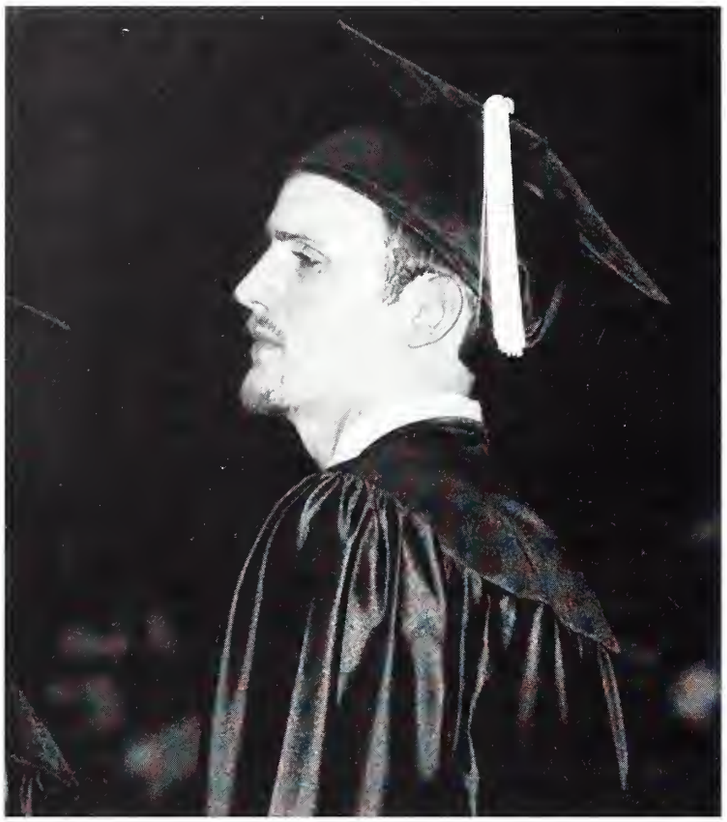
GREEKS ON THE QUAD... Fraternity and sorority members celebrated Greek Week on the Quad in April.

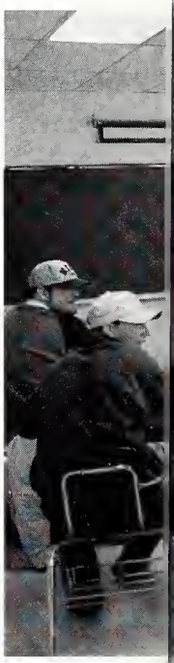
FORMAL OCCASION... Tau Kappa Epsilon members Ben Shearer, Justin Tennant and Joe Bunting get ready for a TKE formal.

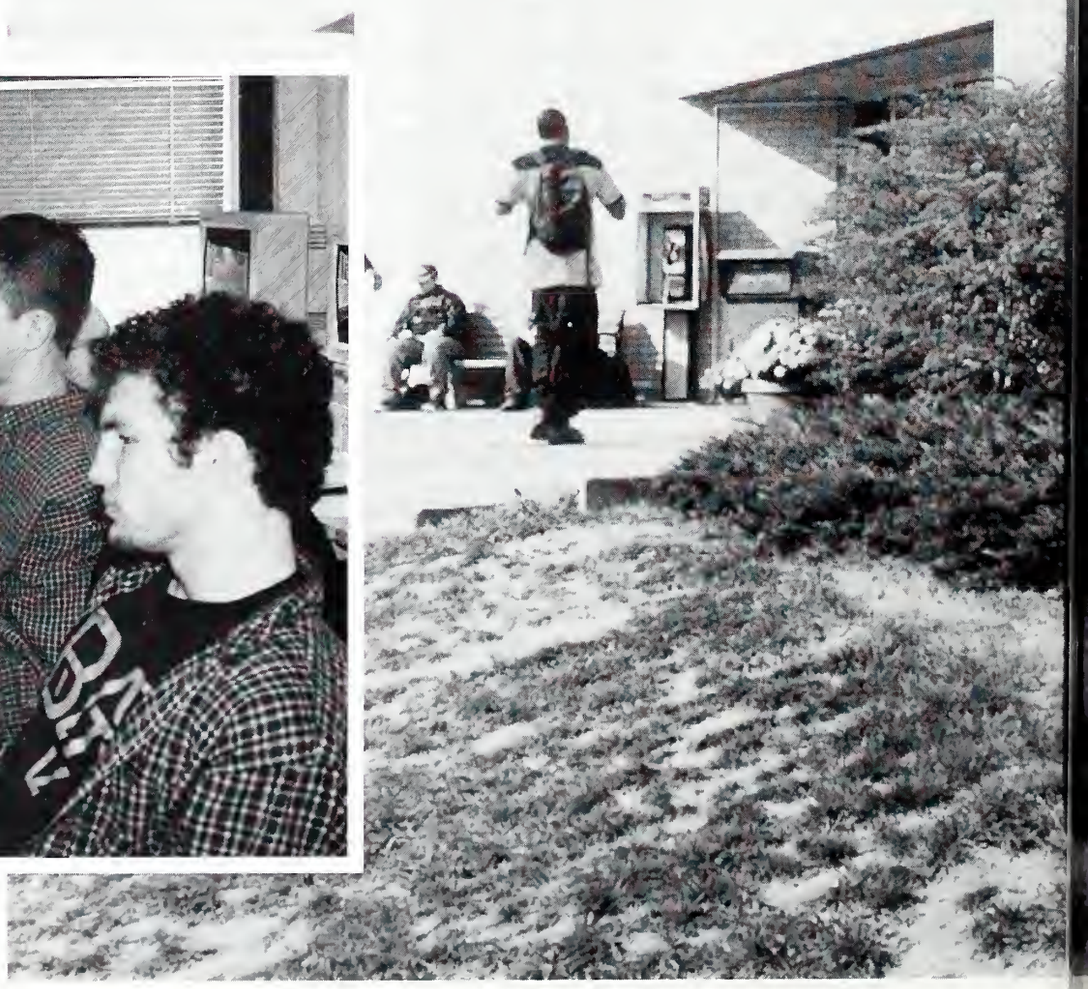
HAWAIIAN STYLE... Nick Waskis, Eric Turchin and Doug Harsh man the TKE booth Hawaiian style at the annual Student Government Mix Off.

WINTER WONDERLAND...
TKE members and their dates enjoy refreshments at the winter formal.

ALL FOR CHARITY...
Members gathered for a charity event. Row 1: Brandon Klink, Jimmy Hershman, Tyson Furgason and Same Tobesman. Row 2: David Allander, Jake Spicer, Marty Lucarello, L.D. Schmidt and Ben Shearer.







ACADEMICS

The Yearn to Learn

SOME STUDENTS MAY not have been aware of it, but FSC's academic departments are now referred to as schools instead of their former moniker which was divisions. Students are enrolled in programs such as the School of Business and Economics, School of Health Careers, School of Education/Health and Human Performance, School of Language and Literature, School of Technology, School of Fine Arts, School of Science and Mathematics, or School of Social Science.

Each academic school provides a superior learning experience for students as well as offering many extracurricular opportunities such as special topics courses and internships that prepare all those enrolled for future employment. Utilizing these newfound mental tools leads to mind expansion beyond normal thought boundaries and truly thinking outside of the box.

Academic enrichment is the proverbial skeleton key to opening doors of seemingly limitless possibilities. Only those with a true yearning for learning can possess this key.

Sometimes it can be surreal for a student to stop and think that this snapshot of education may very well lead to a lifetime career.

ACADEMIC BANQUET

The twenty-third annual Academic Awards Banquet was held on April 28 and served to honor outstanding students as well as faculty members. The event honored the achievements of a plethora of carefully selected students who were rewarded for the fruits of their academic labor. Fred Fidura, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs welcomed those in attendance and kicked off the ceremonies. After the initial introductions and a wonderful meal provided by Carol Mainella, Director of Food services, President Janet Dudley-Eshbach gave the remarks.

Many departments were on hand to give out awards to students enrolled in their programs. Students lined up and received their awards while speakers would mention all of their accomplishments.Teachers also were given awards for instructing prowess.

Awards given to faculty members included: Pat Ryan (Excellence in Advising Award), Ginger Brookover (Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award) and Deanna Shields (William A. Boram Award for Teaching Excellence). Following the awards, the evening's festivities were brought to an end. After some warm handshakes and congratulatory conversations, everyone in attendance went home with a lucid idea of what can result when instructors and students combine their efforts to reach common, rewarding, academic goals.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS... President Janet Dudley-Eshbach welcomes guests at the 23rd FSC Academic Awards Banquet, held in the Dining Hall.

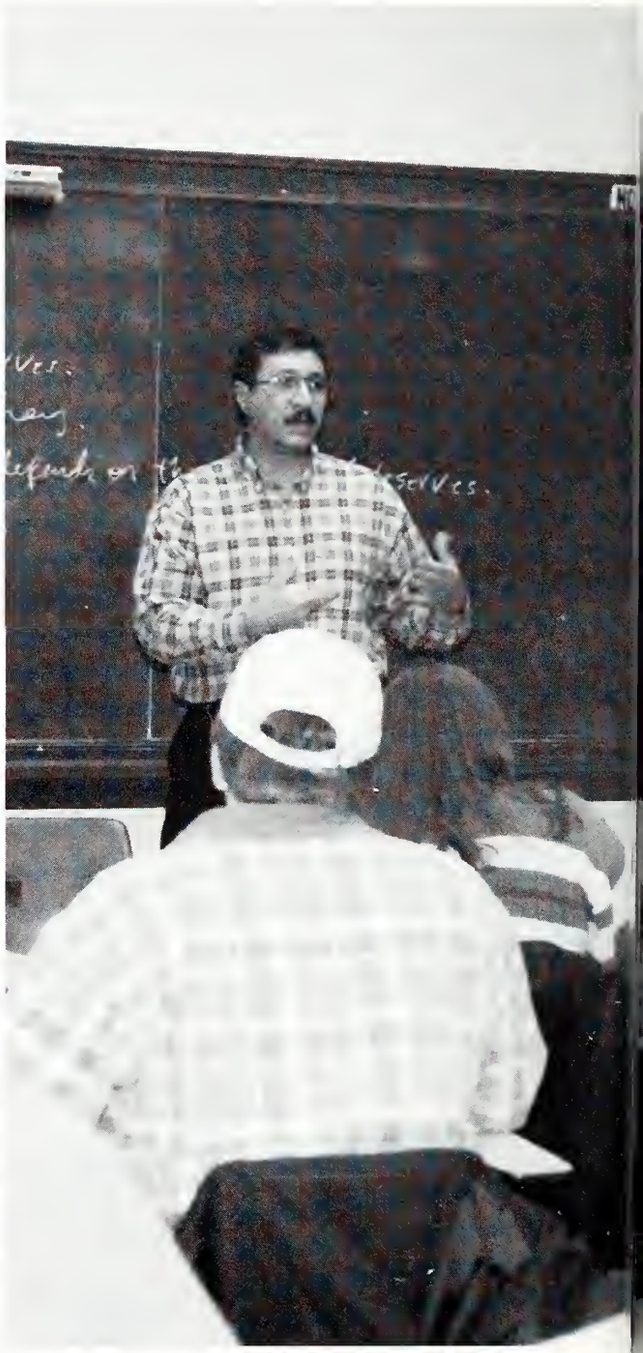
TEACHER OF THE YEAR...
Professor of physics Galen Hansen presents criminal justice professor Deanna Shields with the William A. Boram Award for Teaching Excellence.

STARRY NIGHT...
Lighted stars hang from the ceiling of the Dining Hall, giving it a festive look.

ART AWARDS...
Fine Arts chair Dr. Suzanne Snyder speaks about award recipients Timothy Broadwater, Johanna Stoneking and Irene O'Neill.

JOURNALISM JUNKIE...
Language & Literature chair Dr. Martin Bond presents senior James Phillips with the Outstanding Journalism Student award.

MONEY MATTERS...
Marketing and management professor Mohamed Alshallah lectures to a class in Jaynes Hall.



SURFIN' FSC...
Students take advantage of the updated computer labs across campus, including this one in the School of Business and Economics.

CLASS NOTES...
Dr. Becky Schaupp explains one of the concepts displayed on an overhead projector to a class in Jaynes Hall.

SO WHAT TIME IS IT?...
A new hallway display on the ground floor of Jaynes Hall includes prints of Business and Economics information and clocks showing time in cities around the world.

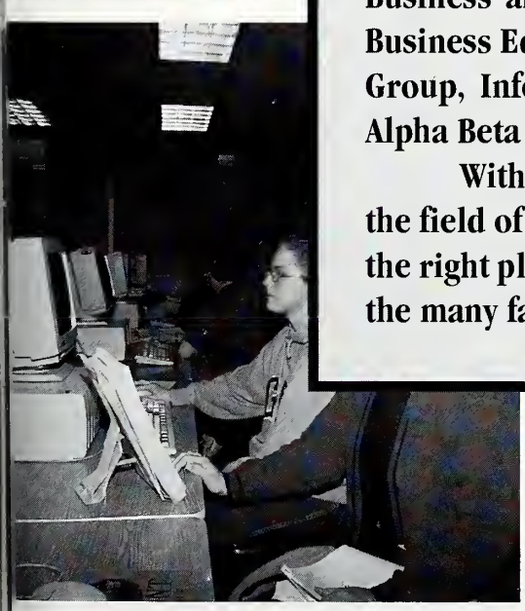
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

The Fairmont State School of Business and Economics is committed to educating students in sciences of business, finance, economics, accounting, management, marketing, advertising and other related fields. The students who attend the FSC School of Business and Economics are required to enhance their critical thinking and human relations skills, which is important for success in the world of business.

The school offers a larger school education in a small school atmosphere, a benefit which helps to develop skills faster and better. Other benefits of the school include: up-to-date technological equipment for educational use, multiple opportunities for internships with local businesses, and programs which will prepare students for the cutting edge field of business.

Business and Economics students attending the FSC programs are special types of people. They must be able to compete in the job market, behave ethically, communicate effectively, and listen to the ideas and opinions of others. These students also have the option to become a part of several professional organizations available to them through their fields of study. Business and Economics students may seek membership into the National Business Education Association, Student Accountant Society, Falcon Financial Group, Information Systems Student Organization, or the honorary group Alpha Beta Gamma.

With the ever growing need for people who can properly understand the field of business, the Fairmont State School of Business and Economics is the right place for people to go for training that will allow them to succeed in the many facets in the world of business.



FULL HOUSE...
The computer labs in Jaynes Hall are nearly always full during operating hours, as students work on projects, check email, surf the internet, or play games.

SCHOOL OF HEALTH CAREERS

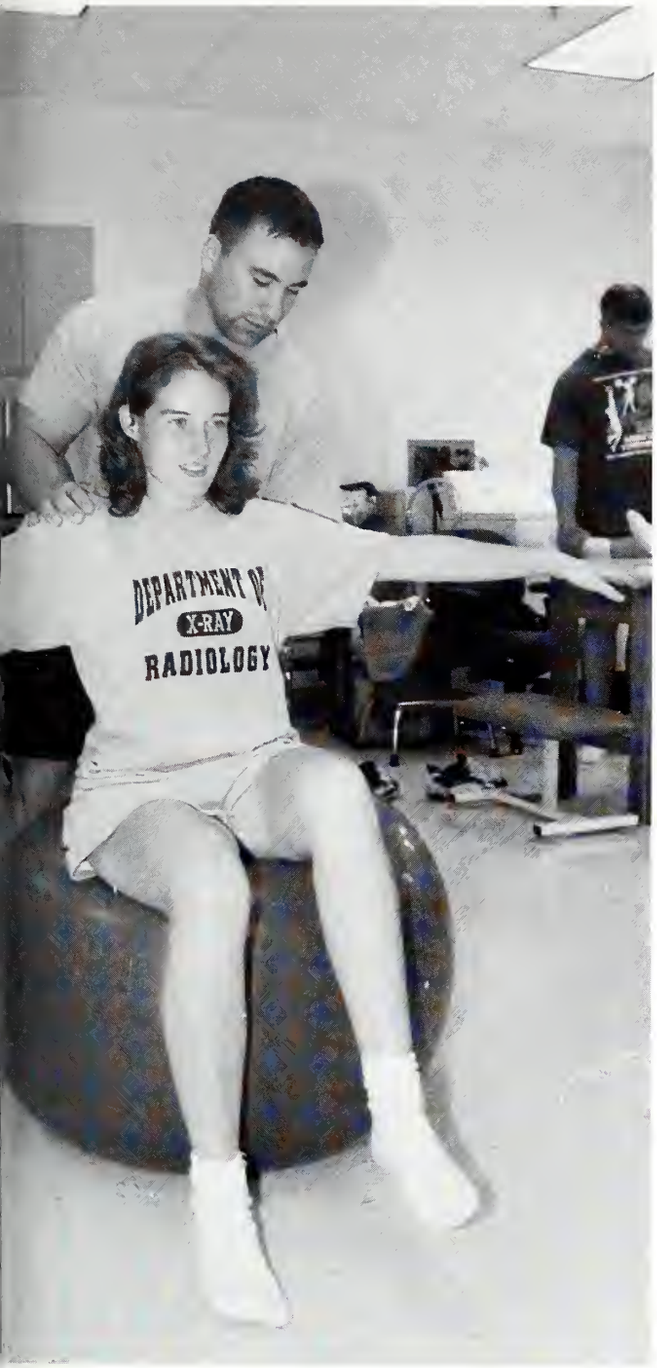
Health Careers have become an essential part of our society. Without the aid of nurses, veterinarians and other related positions, life would be much harder. The FSC School of Health Careers is ready to prepare students for a rewarding life of helping others. FSC offers degrees in several specialized health careers. The nursing program teaches students how to work in structured medical settings by combining nursing and non-nursing curriculum. A benefit of the FSC nursing program is that it is fully accredited by the National League for Nursing. The FSC School of Health careers offers several options to students seeking instruction in the field of nursing.

The Emergency Medical Services program offers instruction in the exciting field of pre-hospital care. Students participating in this program are taught to give expert medical care to emergency victims and transport these victims to the proper medical facilities. These special students are placed in several extreme situations throughout their training. The Health Information Technology Program also teaches students to compile statistics, prepare reports, and work with health records.

The popular field of physical therapy is also taught at FSC. This program is accredited by the commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education. The Medical Laboratory Technician Program trains students to perform a variety of laboratory tests which include blood banking, hematology, microbiology and several others.

There is also an option for students who do not want to work with humans. The Veterinary Technology program offers interesting courses in the field of animal health. In this program, students will gain knowledge about a variety of species as well as areas of veterinary care.

FIRST STEPS...
This student in the physical therapist program tries out a set of crutches to understand how her patients may feel.



BALANCING ACT...
Students in the School of Health Careers practice rehabilitation techniques on each other as part of their coursework.

FOOTLOOSE...
Physical therapist students examine a prosthetic foot as part of their lab experiences.

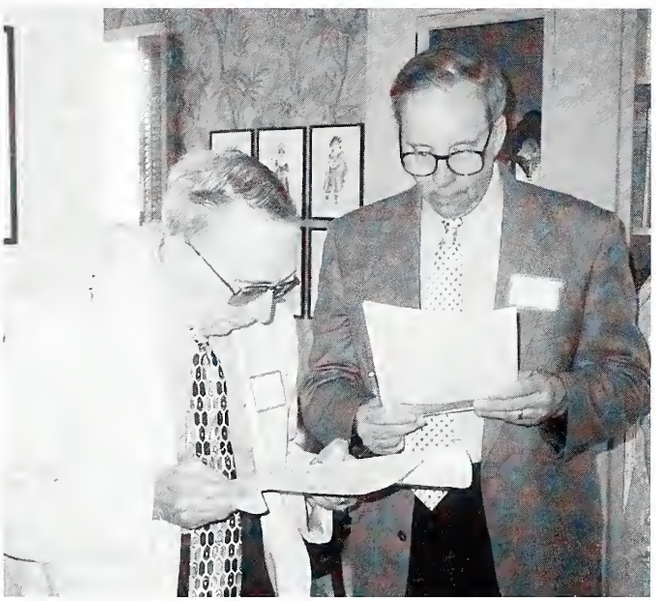
MUSCLEBOUND...
Students in Health Careers learn to identify various muscles as part of their anatomy studies.

LIFE SAVERS...
Student nurses practice resuscitation techniques on a mannequin as part of their practicum at Fairmont General Hospital.

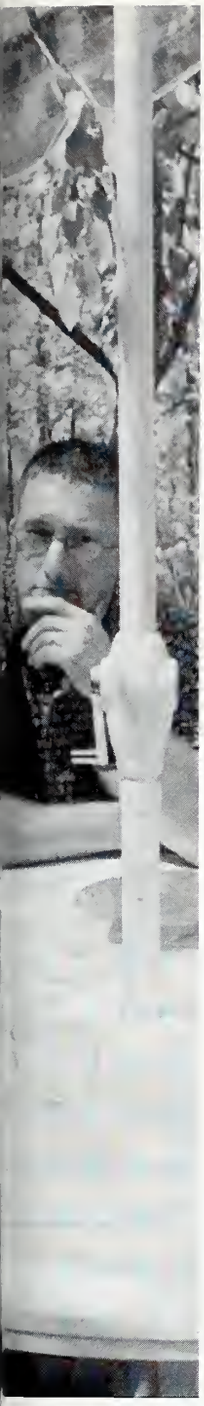
MADE IN THE SHADE...Member Rachel Parker and her husband Duane enjoy refreshments after the initiation ceremony.

RITE OF PASSAGE... Advisor George Byers and president Becky Bartlett install new members.

POP QUIZ... Language & Literature faculty members Bill Sherman and Bob Grattan take a turn in the hot seat playing the mystery quote quiz.



THE GANG'S ALL HERE... Members and new initiates pose at Dr. Byron Jackson's home.



TRY THAT ONE!...Melissa Merrifield samples the refreshments at the initiation reception as Shelley Labdick looks on.

SIGMA TAU DELTA

Sigma Tau Delta is the international English honor society established at FSC in 1964. Its purpose is the promotion of a mastery of written expression, the encouragement of extensive, worthwhile reading, and the fastening of spirit of good fellowship among those specializing in the English language and literature.

However, at FSC, Sigma Tau Delta can be addressed in a less technical manner. Essentially, Sigma Tau Delta honors students majoring in English who exhibit exemplary hard work and dedication to the study of the English language and literature.

Every spring, the annual induction of new members into STD takes place at the home of Dr. Byron Jackson, the former chair of the School of Language and Literature. In addition to the induction ceremony, new officers were elected to serve the following year.

Following an active year of community involvement and promotion of the once inactive honor society, old and new members enjoyed the first annual STD newsletter, ***The Writer's Block***, edited by member Chris Prezioso, where STD members showcased original prose and poetry.

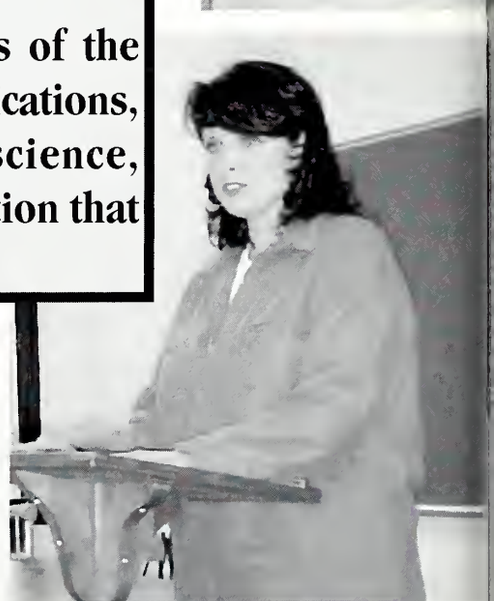
PICTURE PERFECT... Advisor Judy Byers and new member Amanda Cale snap pictures of the reception.

SCHOOL OF LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

At the end of the third floor of Jaynes Hall, there is a bulletin board. Among the announcements about events to come and weekly writing tips, pink slips of paper hang like leaves ready to be carried off by the faintest breeze. On the slips are written the secrets to life...or at least some cool quotes from some cool books. One student quotes a line from Samuel Beckett's *Endgame*: "CLOV: What is there to keep me here? HAMM: The dialogue."

The board seems to represent the diversity the school of Language and Literature. Flyers that request submissions to Whetstone, FSC's art and literary journal are tacked next to information about the Office of International Education. An advertisement for a folk opera written by Dr. George Byers and Dr. Alice Moerk hangs next to the poem of the week. What the board demonstrates is that, while chaotic, the different disciplines of Language and Literature somehow fit well together.

By working well together, the different disciplines of the School of Language and Literature, including Student Publications, journalism, folk studies, Spanish, French, library science, literature and education achieve their united goal: education that spans far past old, dusty books.



CONFERENCE PAPER... Senior English major Becky Bartlett reads a paper to L & L faculty.

A MEETING OF MINDS..
Retired faculty John King talks with Dr. George Byers during the annual Kestrel Festival ot the Arts.

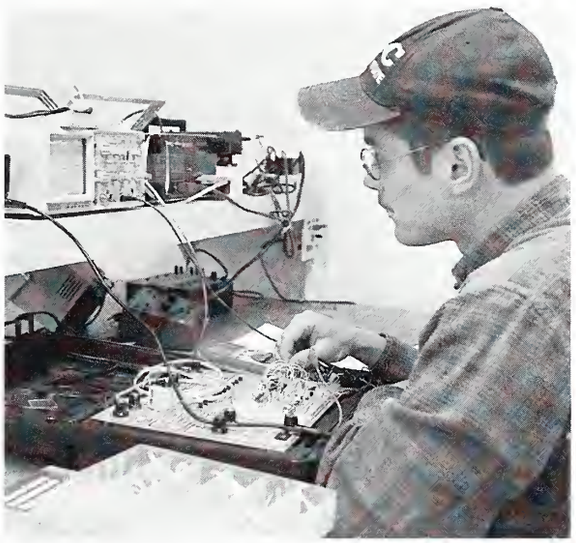
TAKE THE PLUNGE...Dr. Leland George makes his customary stop at the soda machine in Jaynes Hall for a bottle of tea.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS.. Journalism coordinator Beth Slusser shares a laugh with Whetstone editor Gabriel Lee in the lab.

ENGLISH HONORARY... L & L faculty Dr. J. Robert Baker and Dr. John Woznicki pose with student Misty Poe at the Sigma Tau Delta induction.

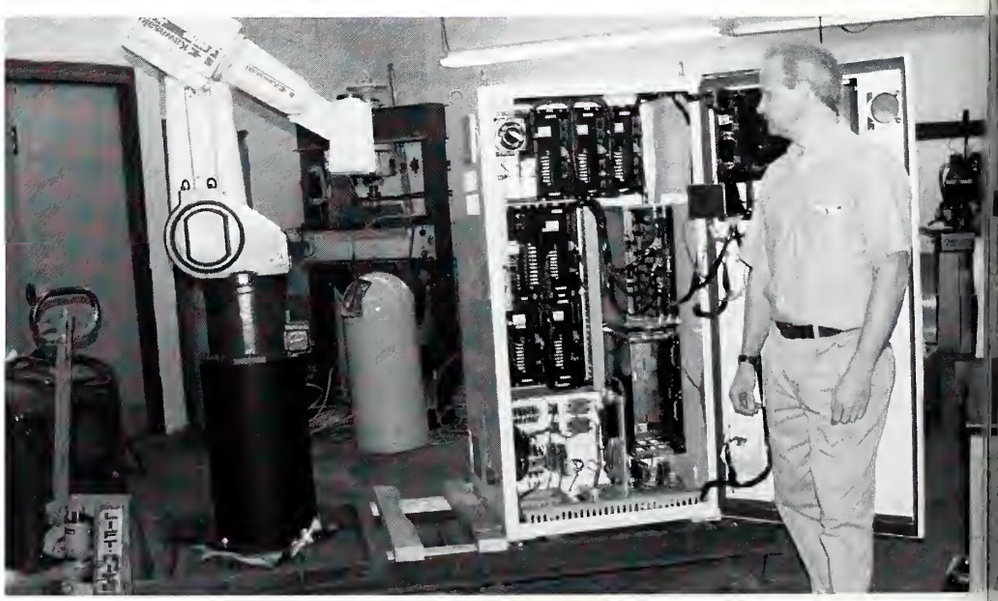
MAKING THE CUT...
Manufacturing II student Eric Lucas uses a circular saw to help make the chairs that students created and sold.

DIAGNOSTICS...
Technology students learn to diagnose and fix problems in many types of machines.



MANUFACTURING II CLASS...
Left to right: Scott Rusnak, Daryel Shahan, Dave Allender, Tara Browning, Eric Lucas, Vicki Haas, Amy Wall, and Jim Lambert.

HIGH TECH...
Many of the instruments used in the School of Technology take several semesters to learn how to operate and maintain, such as this one.



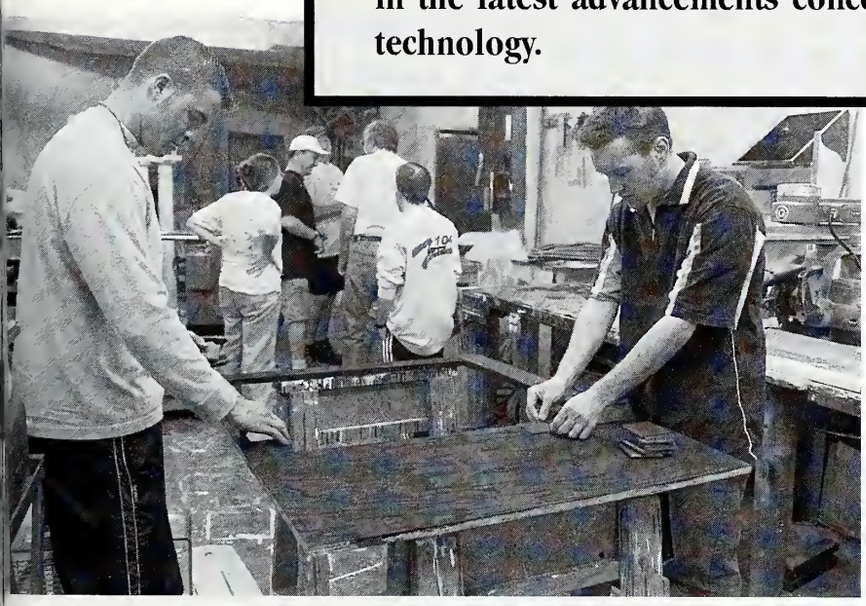
SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

With the onslaught of the new millennium, technology is evolving at such a rapid clip that it is almost impossible to keep pace, let alone teach these new skills to eager students. The technology program at FSC successfully tackles this daunting task, welcoming students who embrace the study of technological changes.

Technology is invariably a growth industry in a world that is information dependent. People who choose careers in technology must be willing to keep up with the latest innovations, software, and hardware that seemingly change daily. These changes pay off in a big way, however. New advancements and innovations make life easier and enable those involved to maximize efficiency.

Parts of the School of Technology include graphics, architecture, machinery, engineering, safety, and a host of other subjects offered both on and off the FSC campus. The Robert C. Byrd Aerospace Center located in Bridgeport, WV is also another one of the many technology program options for those interested.

All of these specialties involve intensive hands-on work and utilizing cutting-edge technology to reach a final, specialized goal. Practical projects and real world applications are always emphasized in the curriculum. With technology as their major, Fairmont State students receive training in the latest advancements concerning the most high-tech and updated technology.



PIECE BY PIECE...
Students learn through hands-on work, such as carrying out designs by making the item.

SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS

The FSC School of Fine Arts prepares students for careers in Art, Music, Speech Communication and Theatre. It is a well-established arts program that teaches students to perform with excellence and imagination.

The theatre program at FSC is respected both regionally and nationally. The student dramatics organization, Masquers, has produced a four-play season for over seventy years. The FSC Town and Gown Players has recently completed their 37th consecutive season. Both of these organizations provide an excellent theatrical learning experience.

The FSC Art Department is committed to provide the highest professional education for the creative artist, art teacher and scholar. The curriculum is designed to provide training and skills beyond the associate degree level for artists and illustrators. The art department is home to the Creative Arts Organization of Students (CAOS). CAOS is a group comprised of anyone who is interested in the arts. They meet weekly to discuss departmental exhibits and guest artists. They take several trips throughout the year to see exhibits and Museums.

The Music Department at FSC offers excellent musical instruction by a highly qualified staff of professors. Departmental organizations such as band, orchestra, choir, ensembles, stage band, and soloists participate regularly in productions, concerts, and other activities. The music department at FSC's facilities includes: rehearsal studios, music library, practice rooms and storage rooms.

The school of Fine Arts supports arts in the public schools and have also developed an Artist-in-Residence program. The FSC School of Fine Arts has established an atmosphere in which art thrives and students are given an opportunity to learn while experiencing.

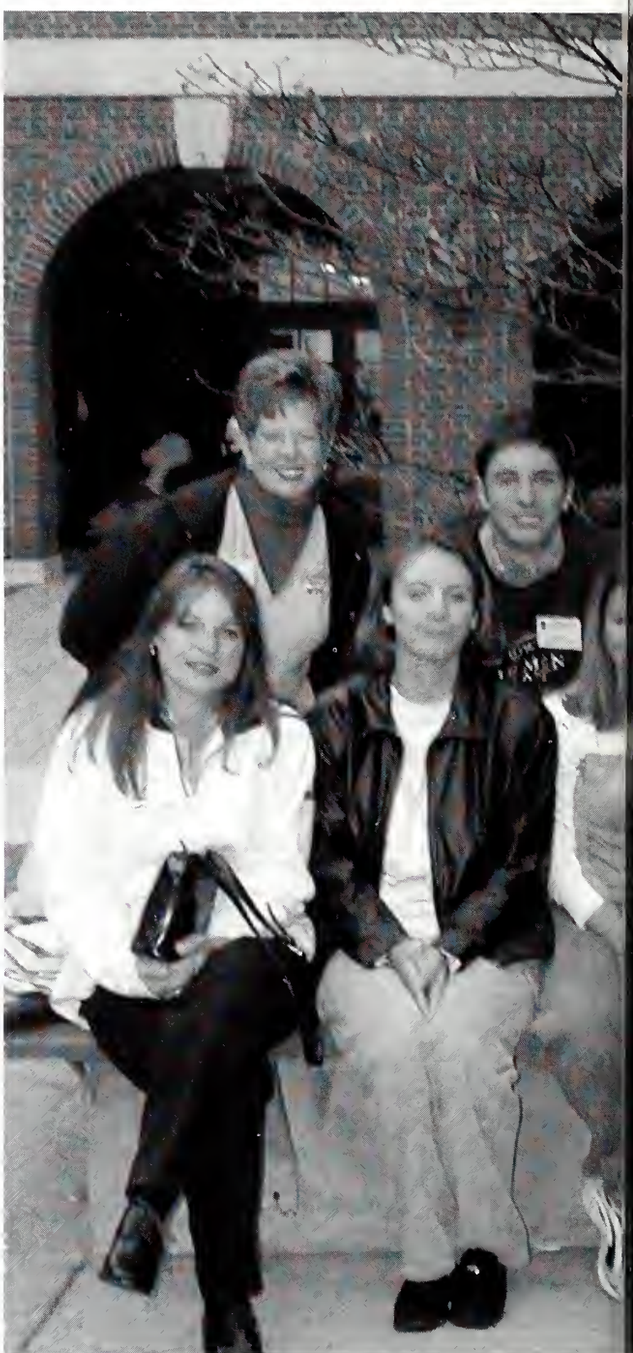
BUGLER'S HOLIDAY... These trumpet players work on a piece of music for a spring concert.

TOILING IN OIL...
An art student works on a large oil painting in the art studio of Wallman Hall.

TICKLING THE IVORIES...
Professor of music Dr. Jeriel Gilmer supervises a piano student in the piano lab.

PHOTO-REALISTIC...
Student Denise Giangulio works from a photo on a black and white sketch.

ART ATTACK...
Art students can often be found in the painting studio in Wallman Hall, putting the final touches on oil and acrylic paintings in preparation for senior art exhibits.



MATH WHIZZES...The FSC Math Team attended the annual conference at Miami University of Ohio.

BIOLOGY EXPERIMENTS... Members of the Beta Beta Beta biology honorary give a presentation to grade school students.

ON THE WATER...Assistant professor of biology Phil Yeager enjoys the sun and the water during a Beta Beta Beta activity.

GROUP SHOT...Members of the American Chemical Society Student Affiliates Club gather in Hunt-Haught Hall for a meeting.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

The School of Science and Mathematics includes several departments such as biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics and physics/physical science. The school offers bachelor of science degrees as well as bachelor of arts degrees in science education. Science and Mathematics has over twenty-five full-time faculty members dedicated to ensuring that each student is given the opportunity to reach his or her fullest educational potential.

All departments of the school have facilities at both the Fairmont and Clarksburg campuses. The school ensures that all of the equipment and computers are up-to-date in order to prepare students for either graduate school or for the ever-growing dependence on technology in the workplace.

The extracurricular activities offered within the departments are designed to enhance the students' classroom experiences, and the school offers undergraduate research, internships, study abroad and other programs to help complete the educational picture. The School of Science and Mathematics is perfect for future scientists, number crunchers or computer programmers.

HHH HOME...Hunt-Haught Hall is the home of the School of Science and Mathematics on the main campus.

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

The School of Social Sciences offers several degree programs in political science, history, criminal justice, psychology, geography, philosophy, social studies and sociology. More FSC students take classes in the School of Social Sciences than in any other school at FSC. To meet the demands of these students, faculty and staff members have been hard at work this year to ensure the continued growth of the programs.

In conjunction with the School of Science and Mathematics, the school has been approved to begin offering degrees in forensic sciences and forensic psychology. The school has developed a 12-credit hour certificate program in criminal computer forensic investigation.

In addition, the school is working with the FBI, Mercyhurst College and the National White Collar Crime Association to develop a minor in investigative analysis. Faculty members Les Boggess and Dean Van Bibber have established internships with Scotland Yard. The School of Social Sciences continues to be one of FSC's most prolific departments.

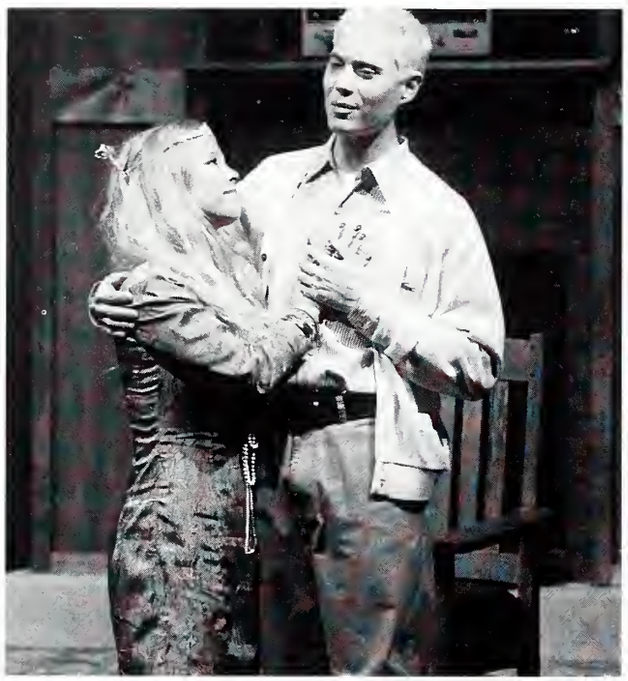
THE GRADUATES... Social Science faculty and graduating students marched in the December 1999 commencement ceremony.

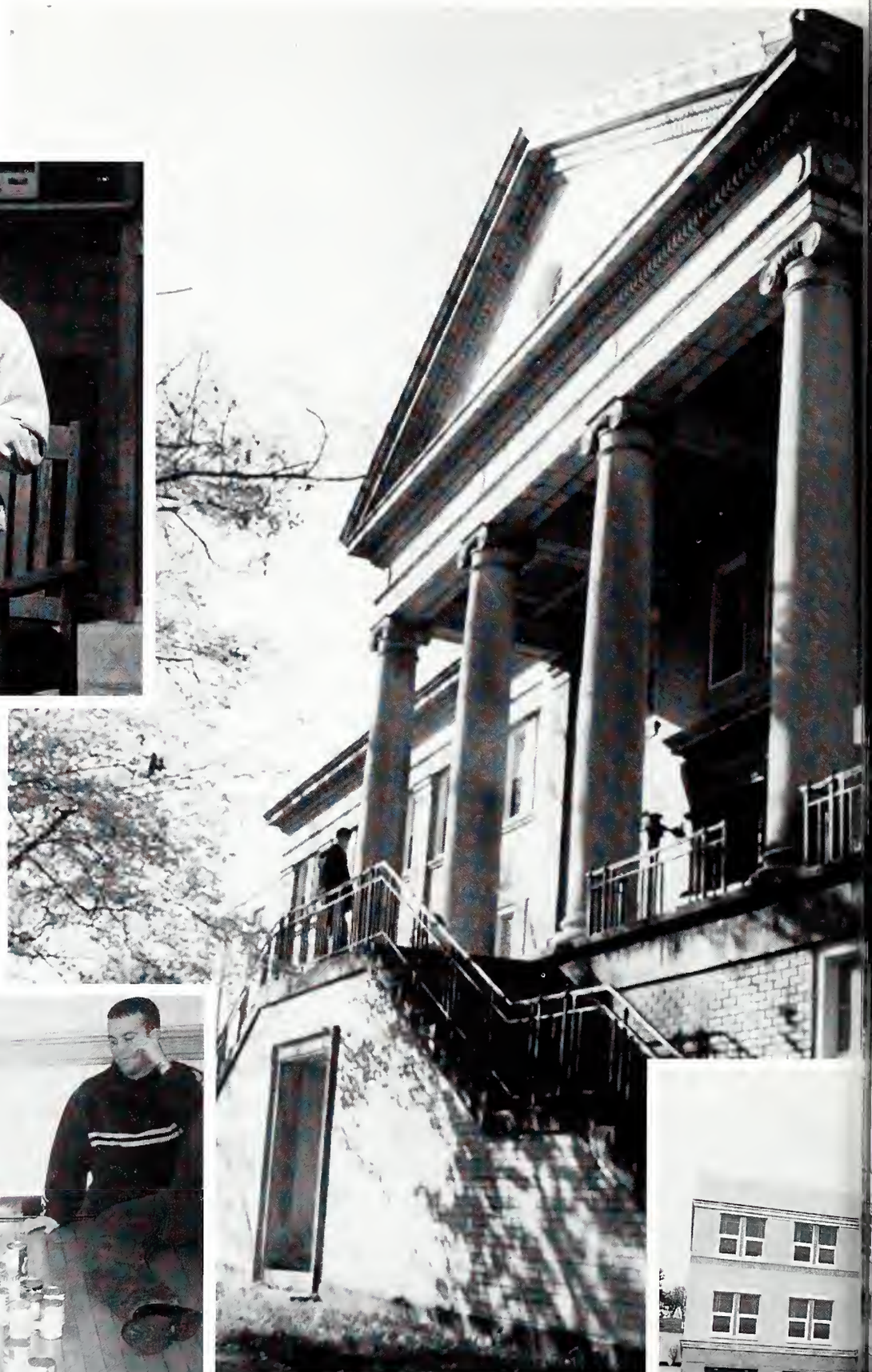
NEW MEMBERS...
Members of Lambda Alpha Epsilon criminal justice honorary gather at the annual induction dinner.

READY, AIM, FIRE!...
Two criminal justice students sharpen their firearms skills with a little target practice.

SCENE OF THE CRIME...
Lambda Alpha Epsilon members recreate a crime scene to work on their investigation skills.

NATIONAL OFFICERS...
Several FSC students and faculty members were elected to national offices in Alpha Phi Sigma.





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Fairmont Friends

IT WAS COMFORTING TO know that a brand new millennium of FSC students could be embraced by a supportive community. That was exactly the case for the start of the 21st century. Events held throughout the year helped to pull the college and the community together.

Support came literally from all directions, which encompassed citizens attending sporting events and donations from businesses. In whatever form the support materialized, it was always welcomed and greatly appreciated. A college can only be as strong as the community in which it sits.

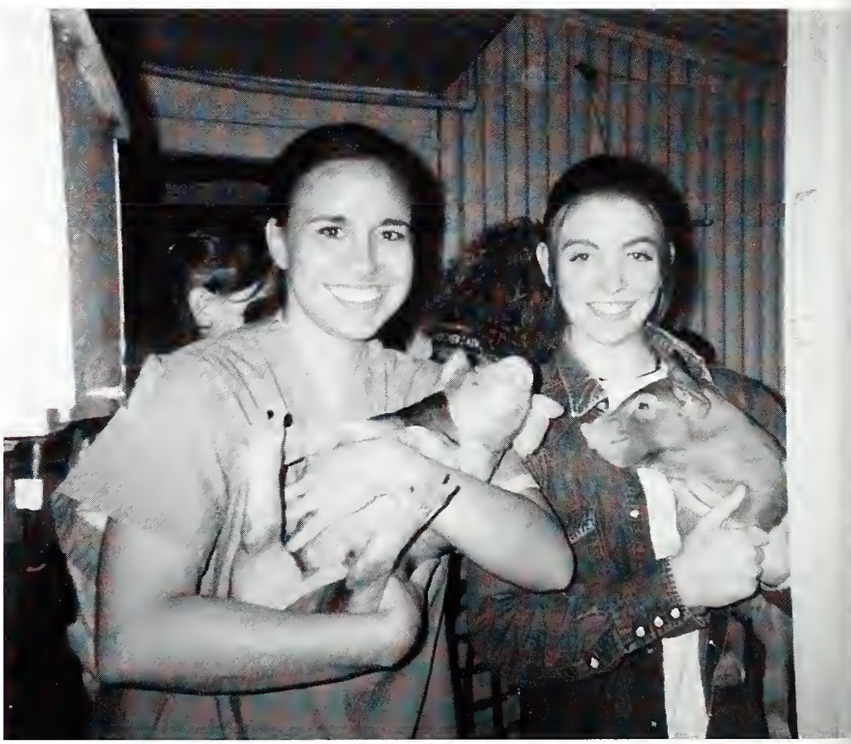
When a successful college like Fairmont State is supported by the town, there are many connections forged between citizens and dedicated students. Without these connections, notable accomplishments would be few and far between. Due to such generous community support, the 1999-2000 year truly passed by in a blinding flash.

Vet Tech

SECOND YEAR...
Row 1: Jennifer Gomez, Stacey Hershman, Cheryl Oliveto, Alisha Wayne, Jaime Boram. Row 2: Jaime Hill, Tina West, Kathy Edwards, Elizabeth Fitzwater, Erin Wampler, Angela Ballato, Lisa Godfrey, Jamala Stone, Linda Colelli, Terri Pisani.

A HORSE IS A HORSE...
Second-year vet tech students Jaime Boram and Elizabeth Fitzwater pose with one of the boarders a Cross Creek Quarter Horses.

BABE?...
Second-year students Lisa Godfrey and Alisha Wayne hold piglets during their WVU Farms trip.



RABBIT RUN...
Vet tech student Lora Ford observes "Louie" the rabbit.

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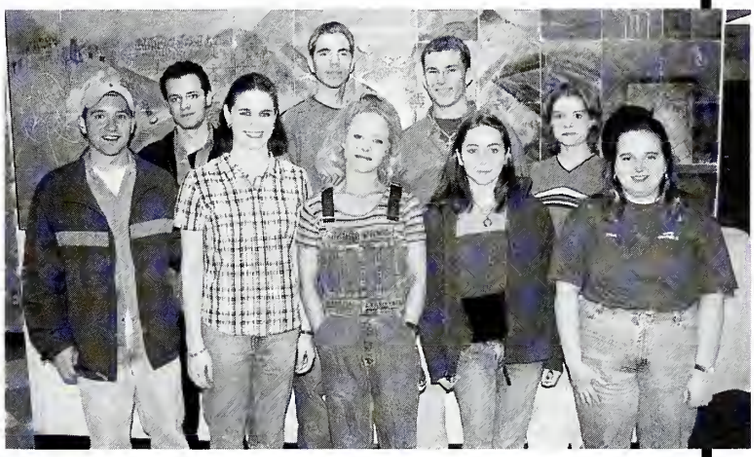

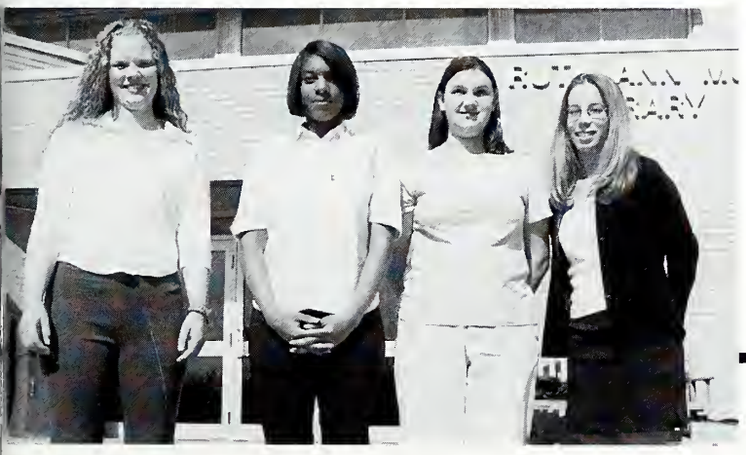

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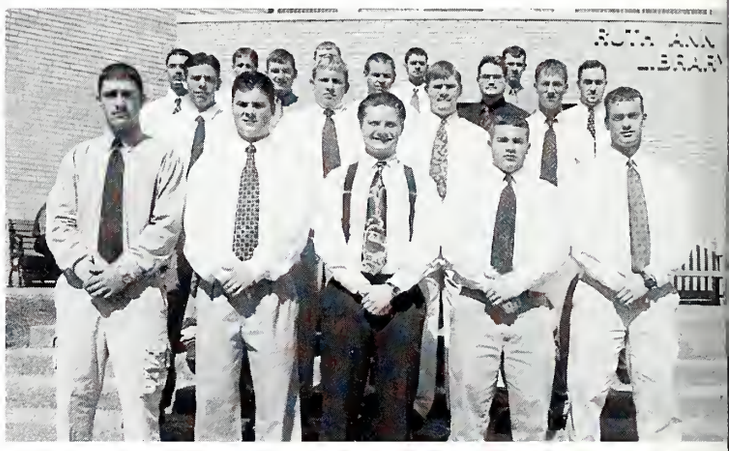

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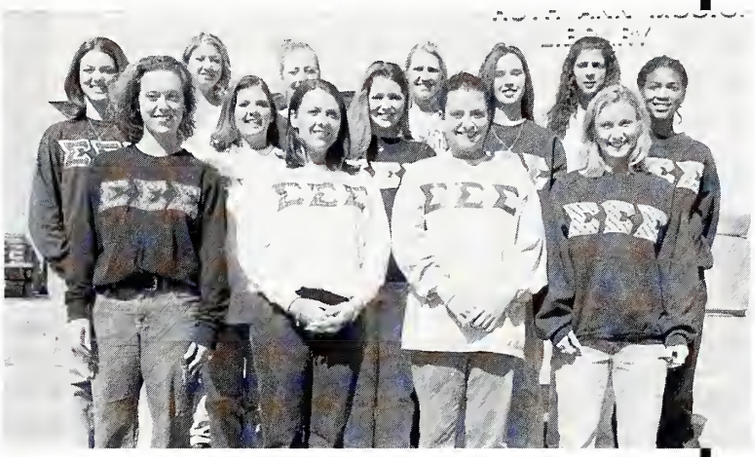

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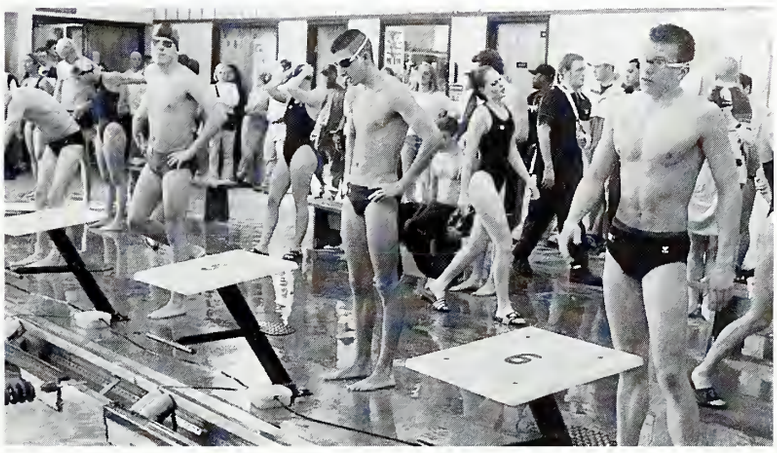

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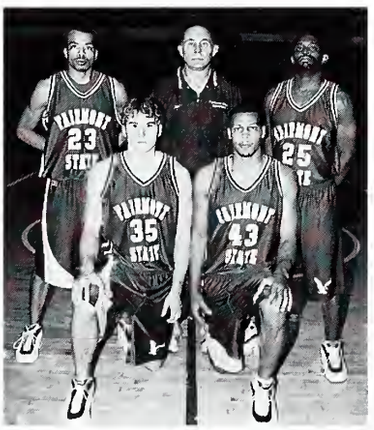

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